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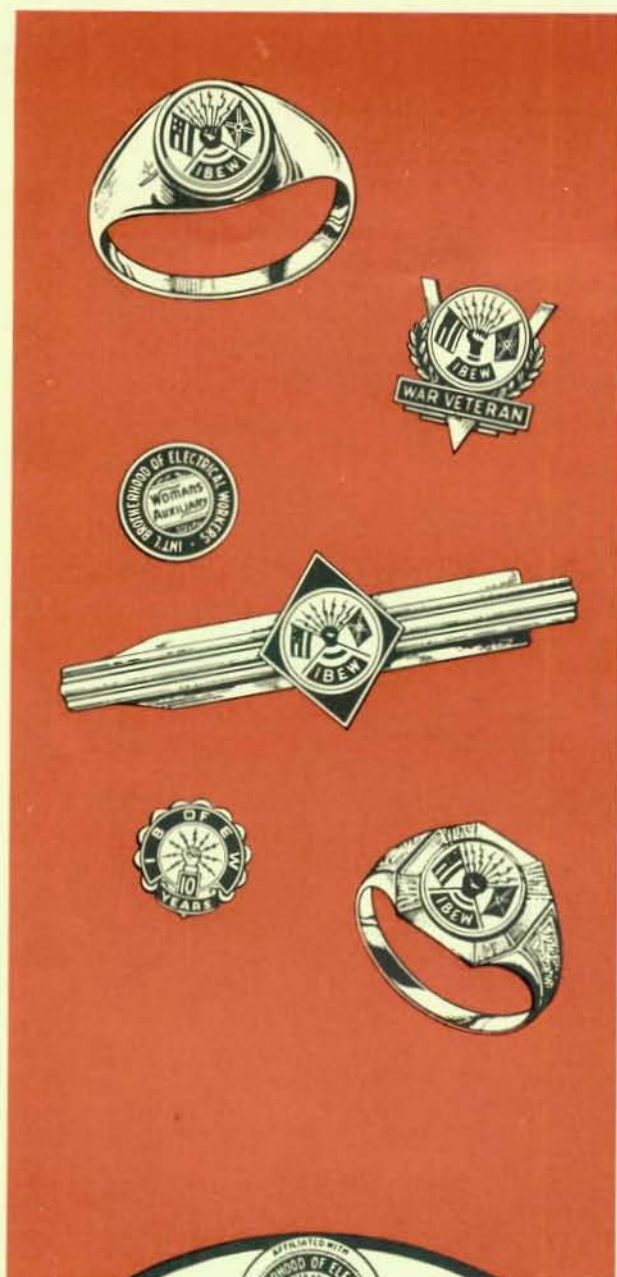
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## This Month

THIS MONTH President Tracy takes stock of events on the legislative front and concludes that labor has scored some victories, suffered some defeats. His story appears on page 3. . . . Bowling appears to be one of the favorite pastimes of men of the I. B. E. W. A story on the Organization's fourth annual bowling tournament, held at St. Louis, is on page 2. . . . Ninety years ago the first transatlantic cable was laid. Some of the history attendant on that momentous event is recounted in this issue of the

JOURNAL. . . . Last month, in the JOURNAL's joke column, "Short Circuits," we ran the same joke twice, thereby provoking one reader to ask if we really thought the gag was that good. Nope, it was purely an error. . . . Testimony of Louis Sherman, general counsel of the I. B. E. W., on the Wage and Hour Law is summarized on page 4. . . . Now that summer's here, "With the Ladies" (page 12) offers some timely seasonal hints for work-saving measures around the household.

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# Bowling Tournament in St. Louis a Success



Bowlers entered in the I. B. E. W.'s fourth annual kegling tourney and their wives as they gathered in the dining room of the Hotel Statler, St. Louis, on the evening of March 27. Next year's tournament will be held in Chicago, with L. U. 134 acting as host. The St. Louis event attracted 69 teams, 126 doubles and 215 singles, and was termed a huge success by all who attended. Chicago L. U. 134's team No. 2 walked off with top honors in the tournament.

By M. A. "MORRY" NEWMAN,  
Press Secretary, Local Union 1,  
St. Louis, Mo.

**C**ONSENSUS was that the fourth annual I. B. E. W. bowling tournament, held March 27-28 in St. Louis, was a successful event in every way. Sixty-nine teams, 126 doubles and 215 singles were entered, which made for plenty of kegling over the week-end.

Team No. 2 of L. U. 134, Chicago, stood at the head of the class when the tournament wound up, with a very commendable 3310 score. M. Derus of L. U. 494, Milwaukee, was the all-events winner with a point score of 1965. At the head of the doubles teams stood our own F. A. Schmidt and John Laubersheimer, with 1301. Paul Buehrle of L. U. 697, Gary, Indiana, rolled 727 to head the singles entries. Highest single game was a 286 bowled by Tom Simenek of St. Louis.

## Smoothly Run Show

Credit must be given to the bowling committee consisting of Joe Check, Elmer Luebbert, Art Mues, Ed Troy, Roy Zell and Edgar Lorenzen for the time and effort they expended to run the big show smoothly. Credit, too, must go to the entertainment committee for handling its work very competently. The Brothers on this committee were Lou Biringier, Fred Blind, Leo Hennessey, Walter Lund, Richard Naes, John O'Shea, Gus Peters and Lester Schaettler.

Refreshments were served from 10 a. m. to 6 p. m. in the Adam Room on the 17th floor of the Hotel Statler in downtown St. Louis, and arrange-

ments were made for two floor shows at the banquet which followed. Thus all bowlers, regardless of their bowling schedules, were able to enjoy one of the shows. A 9-piece orchestra played for the shows and the dancing that came in between. Frank W. Jacobs, eleventh district vice president, and Bob Meyers of Local 1, sang solos that drew plenty of applause.

Just for the record, we are publishing the dinner menu with the thought that, if there is any dispute in later years as to what the items were, you can thumb back through this JOURNAL and settle the question. The dinner included fresh fruit cocktail, breast of chicken *a la* Maryland, candied yams, fresh string beans, chef's salad, pie and ice cream, coffee.

Leading scores in the different classifications of the tournament follow:

## Team Scores

Team No. 2, L. U. 134, Chicago (3310); Team No. 5, L. U. 134, Chicago (3199); J. Livingston, L. U. 1, St. Louis (3190); Legion Post 377, L. U. 1, St. Louis (3166); Team No. 3, L. U. 38, Cleveland (3152); Team No. 1, L. U. 134, Chicago (3114); Team No. 1, L. U. 369, Louisville (3094); Frank Adam Elec., L. U. 1, St. Louis (3091); Patterson Emerson-Comstock, L. U. 697, Gary, Ind. (3085); I. B. E. W. 1256, St. Louis (3065).

## All-Events Winners

M. Derus, L. U. 494, Milwaukee (1965); L. Bauman, L. U. 134, Chicago (1949); Chester Virga, L. U. 1, St. Louis (1946); James Eastcott, L. U. 58, Detroit (1942); Fred

Elischer, L. U. 697, Gary, Ind. (1935); E. Brown, L. U. 58, Detroit (1930).

## Doubles

F. A. Schmidt and John Laubersheimer, L. U. 1, St. Louis (1301); Daniel Diamond and James Eastcott, L. U. 58, Detroit (1291); Russ Koebel and Frank Radloff, L. U. 58, Detroit (1285); George Bresnan and Harry Voss, L. U. 1, St. Louis (1284); B. Camin and J. Goldberg, L. U. 38, Cleveland (1281); Joe Paha and C. Mantalto, L. U. 134, Chicago (1281); E. Zang and A. Schlange, L. U. 58 and 1 (1253); Glenn Hagen and R. Robbins, L. U. 1256, St. Louis (1252); Joe McGuire and H. Schutten, L. U. 134, Chicago (1250); George Keiper and Vince Renaud, L. U. 1256, St. Louis (1241).

## Singles

Paul Buehrle, L. U. 697, Gary, Ind. (727); Orville Kelley, L. U. 34, Cleveland (716); John Bridges, L. U. 58, Detroit (693); C. Bowres, L. U. 648, Hamilton, O. (689); Fred Taff, L. U. 2, St. Louis (687); Ed Rede-meier, L. U. 1, St. Louis (683); R. Drake, L. U. 58, Detroit (680); J. Vedin, L. U. 648, Hamilton, O. (678); F. Kinkoff, L. U. 38, Cleveland (675); J. Ringhofer, L. U. 38, Cleveland (672); A. Mocker, L. U. 1, St. Louis (672); Charles McGinnis, L. U. 697, Gary, Ind. (670); M. Keller, L. U. 1, St. Louis (665); W. Gerke, L. U. 697, Gary, Ind. (655); J. P. Kovack, L. U. 787, Windsor, Ontario, Can. (654); E. Felz, L. U. 134, Chicago (652); S. Rosenthal, L. U. 58, Detroit (651); Chester Virga, L. U. 1, St. Louis (651).



# Summarizing Labor's 'Score Sheet'

## *Look at Progress Made by Labor in Legislative Field as Half of 1948 Passes Reveals Creditable Victories as Well as Some Defeats*

By D. W. TRACY, President

**I**N A STORY in the January issue of the JOURNAL titled "Labor Looks at Congress," I wrote at some length of the problems that labor faced in 1948. I also ventured to look ahead to the issues in which Congress would be involved during the year. These issues loomed so large during the latter part of 1947 that no crystal ball was needed to make a fairly accurate forecast.

### **Six Measures Listed**

With only half the year gone, it is a little early for anyone to take on the mantle of a prophet, for the coming six months are certain to be as critical and event-filled as the six months we have passed through. Nevertheless, the "forecast" that I made in January has not been changed by any developments that have taken place since.

In labor's "work sheet" for Congress, I listed the actions which labor should urge on Congress. These were: repeal of the Taft-Hartley Law; curbs on the high cost of living; provision for more housing; provision for strong rent control; improvement of educational facilities; a strong role in foreign affairs.

It is possible now, at mid-year, to make some assessment of the progress that has been made in furtherance of these actions which have been endorsed by labor.

As to the proposal for repeal of the Taft-Hartley Law, I believe that substantial progress looking toward this end has been made. Two important decisions by Federal judges have had the effect of knocking out some of the props holding up the Taft-Hartley pack-

age. The first was Judge Ben Moore's decision holding that Section 304 of the law, forbidding expenditure of union funds for political purposes, was an unconstitutional abridgement of freedom of speech, freedom of the press, and of freedom of assembly. The second was Judge J. Foster Symes' decision, handed down in Denver, holding that local construction projects are not subject to Taft-Hartley controls. The Denver test arose after the local Building Trades Council posted on its "unfair list" the name of a non-union electrical sub-contracting firm. When the firm's employees appeared on a local construction project, the union men walked off the job. The NLRB then sought an injunction against the Building Trades Council and its affiliates. NLRB attorneys claimed that the "unfair list," the picketing and the refusal to work with "scabs" violated the anti-boycott sections of the Taft-Hartley Law. Judge Symes, in denying the injunction, held that even though the "unfair" firm purchased some electrical materials from outside the state, the dispute was actually "one of purely local concern" and that "no question of interstate commerce is involved." Hence, he said, the Taft-Hartley Act could not be invoked. Judge Symes also rejected the NLRB's claim that there was anything unlawful in the posting of an "unfair list."

### **Up to Supreme Court**

The question of whether and, if so, to what extent, the Taft-Hartley Act applies to the building and construction industry will not be determined finally until the U. S. Supreme Court decides the issue. It would, therefore, be best for labor, industry and the public to have this question settled by the courts as rapidly as possible to clear up the current controversy and uncertainty. At the time this issue of the JOURNAL went to press it was not known whether General Counsel Denham of the NLRB

would appeal the Denver decision to the next higher Federal Court.

It is reassuring to learn that organized labor can look to the Federal judiciary to uphold the established principles of the United States Constitution and curb the extravagant legal interpretations of administrative officers of Federal labor agencies.

### **Inflation Rampant**

The second item on labor's "work sheet" for Congress, calling for curbs on the high cost of living, has received little or no action. Last November, President Truman urged passage of a ten-point anti-inflation program. In mid-April, speaking to the American Society of Newspaper Editors, he again urged Congressional passage of his program. For all the action the President got at the time of his original suggestions, he might as well have been speaking into a void. The buying power of the dollar continues to decline at an alarming rate, working real and genuine hardships on the working man. No man can be other than pessimistic in looking at the grim picture presented by spiraling costs.

Item 3 on the "work sheet," calling for more housing, also has been effectively bottled up in Congress. Houses are going up but nearly all of them are beyond the financial reach of the average working man. Only a big low-cost housing program can solve the housing ills that still beset our country nearly three years after the war.

Under powerful pressure from the real estate lobbyists, just and equitable rent controls are being broken down. The 80th Congress and the real estate lobbyists have worked arm in arm to put additional strain on the working man's pocket. A pungent cartoon from the St. Louis *Post-Dispatch*, reproduced in these pages, gets the point across very well.

Item 5, calling for improved educational facilities, apparently has

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## NLRB Decisions Won By I. B. E. W.

Following are results of recent elections conducted by the National Labor Relations Board as they affected the I. B. E. W.:

R. C. A. Service Co., Inc., Camden, N. J. Election held April 5 pursuant to stipulation. Certified (for employees engaged in installation and service work in connection with television receivers, radio receivers, record players and associated apparatus and antennas for home use in area served by company's Arlington, Va. shops): I. B. E. W., which received 19 out of 27 votes cast; 8 against.

General Electric Co., Atlanta, Ga. Election held February 25 pursuant to stipulation. Certified (for office and clerical employees): Local 613, I. B. E. W., which received all of the 13 votes cast.

International Harvester Co., Louisville, Ky. Election held February 26 pursuant to stipulation. Certified (for employees classified as "Induction Technician"): Local 369, I. B. E. W.,

which received all of the eight votes cast.

Westinghouse Electric Corp., Houston, Tex. Election held March 10 pursuant to stipulation. Certified (for production and maintenance employees including shipping and store-room employees): Local 716, I. B. E. W., which received 63 out of 122 valid votes cast; 58 votes for U.A.W.-CIO; one for neither.

The Kentucky Utilities Co., Lexington, Ky. Board orders company to bargain collectively, upon request, with Local Union 915, I. B. E. W., as exclusive representative of production, maintenance and construction employees in the Central Div. unit, and with I. B. E. W., as exclusive representative of production, maintenance and construction employees in the Western Div. unit; cease and desist from in any manner interfering with, restraining, or coercing employees in their self-organizational rights; and post compliance notices for 60 days.

## Power Program Set In Puerto Rico

In Puerto Rico, where lack of cheap power has been a major drawback to industrial growth, a great program of hydro-electric power expansion is under way. By early 1949, approximately 400,000,000 kilowatt hours a year will be available.

Chief unit in the system is the Caonillas Dam, now being completed on the Caonillas River in the mountains half way between Arecibo and Ponce, at a cost of \$10,000,000.

The 18 existing power installations, including those under construction, are believed capable of meeting present requirements but Antonio Luchetti, executive director of the Water Resources Authority, estimates that the demand will increase by 50,000,000 kilowatt hours a year. On that basis, the authority is making preparations for an eventual capacity of 700,000,000 kilowatt hours a year by 1970.

The power expansion program is expected to draw many new industries from the United States. Puerto Rico previously was dependent largely on oil, brought in from Trinidad at \$2.25 to \$2.75 a barrel, for power.

Caonillas Dam is more than 230 feet high. From the northern end of the reservoir, a tunnel 8,500 feet long is being completed through the mountains to give a 550-foot drop to the power plant now being equipped near the head of Dos Bocas Lake. The new power plant will have two gen-

erating units, each with 10,000 kva capacity. Caonillas reservoir will have a water capacity of 50,000 acre feet. Chief engineer of the project is Carl A. Bock, who has worked with TVA and other water-control operations in the States.

## Local 6 Calls for City-Owned Power

A resolution of Local No. 6, San Francisco, calling for immediate steps by the city and county of San Francisco toward acquiring a city-owned and operated electric distribution system, has received the full support of A. F. of L. organized labor in that city. San Francisco is now served by the Pacific Gas and Electric Company, a private utility which has been criticized for not anticipating the severe power shortage in Northern California.

Labor's program calls for the construction of a dam and two power houses, a high voltage transmission line into San Francisco, and a high voltage step-down station and standby plant.

"March of events has again demonstrated the need for more sources of electric power and the needs of the state and our city in the matter of electrical energy have been amply dramatized in recent months," says Local 6's resolution, which has been adopted by the San Francisco Labor Council, Building Trades Council and Metal Trades Council.

## Sherman Statement On Wage-Hour Law

Many hundreds of thousands of workers who have been receiving the protection of the Wage and Hour Law for the last decade will have this protection taken away from them if the Ball Bill (S. 2386) is enacted into law, Louis Sherman, general counsel of the I. B. E. W., said in a lengthy statement made before the Senate Committee on Labor and Public Welfare in Washington on April 30.

Instead of reducing the coverage offered by the Wage and Hour Law, consideration should be given to extending it, Mr. Sherman told the committee. Principal points he made at the hearing were as follows:

The minimum wage proposed in the Ball Bill is inadequate. It would establish a 60-cent minimum wage which could be reduced to 50 cents by industry committee procedure. The provisions in the bill authorizing increase to 70 cents may prove quite illusory because procedural difficulties place almost insuperable obstacles in the way of reaching the 70-cent minimum wage level.

The 75-cent minimum wage urged by labor is a modest proposal which can be put into effect easily and with safety. The direct cost of raising the legal minimum to 75 cents will be less than 1 per cent, according to figures compiled by the Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division.

The portions of the Ball Bill which further the objectives of the Wage and Hour Law are vastly outweighed by the portions of the bill which frustrate the accomplishment of those objectives.

## Tacoma City With Cheapest Electricity

Of the 204 U. S. cities of 50,000 population or more, Tacoma, Wash., has the cheapest electricity. As of January 1, users of 250 kilowatt-hours in that city paid \$3.20. At the other end of the scale is Boston, where users paid \$9.61 for the same amount of electricity.

The four next-lowest charges for 250 kilowatt-hours were made in Spokane, Wash., \$4.38; Lincoln, Nebr. (publicly owned utility), \$4.40; Glendale, Calif. (publicly owned), \$4.50; Topeka, Kans., \$4.63.

The six next-highest charges for 250 kilowatt-hours were made in the New England cities of Lawrence, Mass., \$9.23; Lowell, Mass., \$9.16; Fall River, Mass., and Providence, R. I., \$8.85; and Malden, Mass., \$8.72.

Lowest bill for 25 kilowatt-hours was found at Lansing, Mich., 70 cents.





**S**OME FUTURE historian, seeking to fix a date on which the world definitely became a smaller place, might well select August 5, 1858, when America and England became linked for the first time by submarine cable. On that day, 90 years ago, editorial writers outdid each other in letting down their hair to describe the vast implications of the event.

Though the cable went dead after only 20 days of operation and a permanent link was not made until eight years later, the engineering feat of laying it was properly regarded as one of the wonders of the age. Its short-lived operation did not diminish the ovations and acclaim given its engineers and promoters.

#### The Promoters

Prominent among the Anglo-American personalities connected with the project were Charles Bright, a young English engineer, and Cyrus W. Field, an American merchant prince of the day. Field was a man of restless energy who, having accumulated a fortune at the age of 35, was in a susceptible frame of mind to discuss the subject of a transatlantic cable when he was introduced in New York to Frederic N. Gisborne, an English engineer, who had worked on the earlier, simpler undertaking of laying a submarine cable across the English Channel.

At the time of their meeting, in 1854, surface telegraph in America already extended from New York to Newfoundland, and in Britain from London to the western shores of Ireland. To link the two sys-

tems would require about 2,000 miles of cable.

Though the subject matter covered by Gisborne and Field at their first meeting is not recorded, Field apparently sparked instantaneously to the project and began lining up prospective investors. Two years later he visited England and joined forces with Bright and his English associates "with the view and for the purpose of forming a company for establishing a working telegraphic communication between Newfoundland and Ireland, to be called the Atlantic Telegraph Company. . . ."

Bright, who became engineer-in-chief of the project and was knighted for his labors, in looking back years later on the engineering problems posed by the project, summed them up as follows: "Apart from the engineering difficulties entailed by this . . . vast

distance and depth, the question was then undetermined as to the possibility of conveying electric currents through such a length in an unbroken circuit, and at a speed that would enable messages to be passed quickly enough in succession to be remunerative."

#### Cable Problem

As for the projected route of the cable, soundings taken by the British and U. S. navies showed that it would extend across a gently undulating plateau of great breadth, varying in depth from 1,700 to 2,400 fathoms.

After it was chartered, the company began making extensive experiments with various types of cable, finally selecting one consisting of "seven No. 22 copper wires, insulated with three coatings of gutta-percha, sheathed with 18 strands, each containing 7 iron wires." The entire cable, manu-



*Paying out the cable on the NIAGARA*



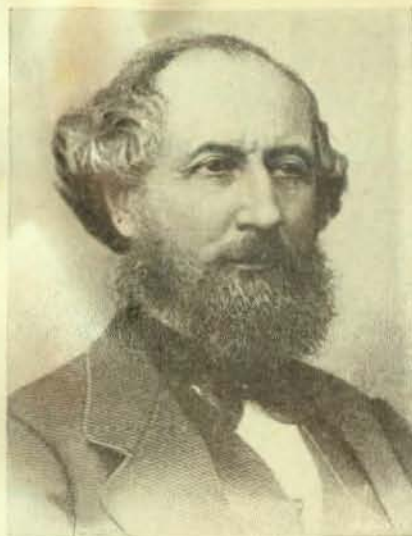
factured in England, was passed through a mixture of tar, pitch and linseed oil. Its weight in air was one ton per nautical mile. Bright's associates regarded this cable as a paragon of strength and durability, but Bright himself was skeptical.

Both the British and American governments encouraged the project. Britain made a guarantee of £14,000 per annum during the working of the cable and promised vessels to assist in laying it. The U. S. made no financial guarantee but did promise vessels. Original capitalization of the company was £350,000 (about \$1,750,000), raised by selling 350 ordinary shares of £1,000 each. Field and J. W. Brett, an Englishman, with 25 shares each, became the largest individual stockholders.

#### Series of Failures

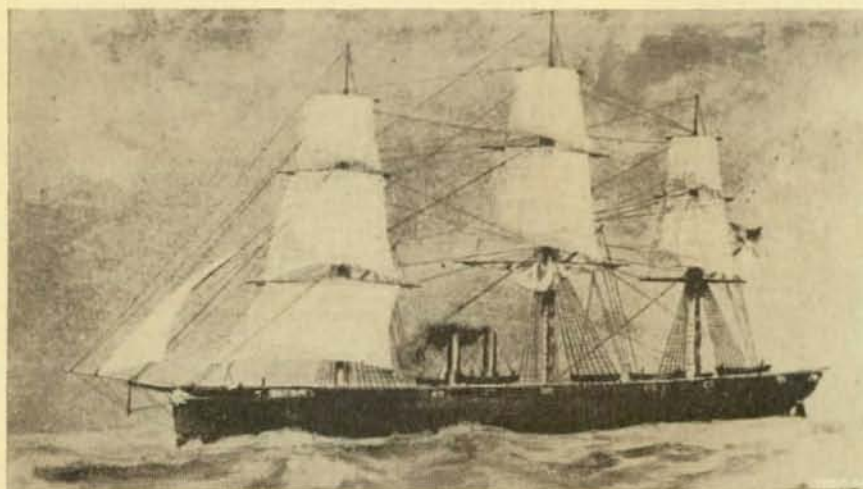
When the cable was manufactured in the amazingly short time of four months, the optimism of the investors reached its peak. Then there began a series of misadventures that would have completely discouraged ordinary men, but which only succeeded in spurring on Field and Bright, who had the driving compulsion of zealots dedicated to a cause.

In August, 1857, the frigate *Niagara*, the U. S. Navy's finest vessel, and the British H.M.S. *Agamemnon* sailed from Valencia, Ireland, bound for Trinity Bay, Newfoundland. On the fourth day out, with more than 300 miles of cable laid, a sudden lurch of the ship and



Cyrus W. Field

a workman's error in compensating for it combined to snap the strand. Lying 2,000 fathoms down, it could not be retrieved for grappling equipment had not yet been developed. (Today, a three-ship fleet, owned by subsidiaries of the International Telephone & Telegraph Co., instantly locates and repairs trouble spots in the world's submarine cables. Highly-sensitive galvanometers determine the approximate location of the break and as the ship nears the position, resistance as measured on the galvanometers increases. Anchoring a buoy over the trouble spot, the ship steams off a few miles in a direction perpendicular to the path of the cable and drops a grapnel to the ocean floor. Returning, the ship drags the grapnel until the cable is picked up. Repairs on the cable are made aboard the ship.)



The U.S.S. NIAGARA

After losing 300 miles of cable, ten months passed before the Atlantic Telegraph Company was able to undertake a second attempt. This, too, resulted in a break and a further costly loss of cable. Interest of the general public in the project began to wane.

#### Success!

The third attempt was successful. On July 17, 1858, the *Agamemnon* and the *Niagara* again headed out to sea, each ship carrying approximately half the length of the cable. At the half-way point between Newfoundland and Ireland, the ships hove to and spliced the cable. The *Agamemnon* then headed for Ireland; the *Niagara* for Newfoundland. The American ship was the first to reach its destination and the *Agamemnon* arrived at port a few days later. On August 5, people on both sides of the Atlantic within range of daily newspapers were exclaiming at the remarkable news. In two of the first messages flashed over the slender link between the Old World and the New, President Buchanan and Queen Victoria exchanged greetings.

In England, Bright was knighted at the age of 26. Field, then 39, received ovations wherever he went and salvos of artillery were fired in his honor. A torchlight procession in New York caused the Town Hall to be set on fire.

But after only a few days' operation, the cable's signals began to diminish in strength. In 20 days, the line was dead. While the exact cause was never determined, it was the consensus that use of induction coils, yielding about 2,000 volts, had destroyed the insulation. Failure of the cable, however, did not diminish the stature of Field and Bright, who had demonstrated that it was only a matter of time before permanent success became assured.

The feat of laying the cable inspired considerable literary output, including an eight-stanza poem by an anonymous author in *The British Workman*. One of the stanzas follows:

Henceforth the East and West are bound

By a new link of love,

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# Questions and Answers

**Q.** In a three-phase secondary circuit; 220, 230, 240 and 440, if we put each conductor in its own individual conduit, the three conduits become hot. But when we put the three conductors in the same conduit the conduit does not get hot. I have asked many people in the electrical field why, but have never received a satisfactory answer.

STEWART L. WILE,  
Cleveland 6, Ohio.

**A.** By placing each conductor of a three-phase system separately in a conduit and with the three conduits close to each other, the fields around each conductor as the current flows through the wires attempts to set up a current flow in the conduit itself because the conduit acts as a neutral wire of high resistance to the flow, thus causing heat. When the three wires are placed in the same conduit, these fields "buck" each other and thus cancel their effect.

**Q.** A diagram of feeders has been requested by the local electrical inspector's office. What should this diagram show?

**A.** The diagram should show: (1) The number and size of the conduits or fiber ducts for the power company's service cables. (2) The amperage and type of voltage and phase for the meter service switch. (3) The main distribution panel with the schedule of the cut-out switches or circuit breakers and what feeder each switch controls, as well as size of main feeder. (4) The light and power panels on each floor and the size of conduit and number and A.W.G. size of wire for each feeder to these panels. (5) If required, the EXIT and EMERGENCY light meter service switch with its separate light panel is shown adjacent to the main meter service switch, since its power is tapped from the line side of this switch unless the power company brings in a separate service for the EXIT switch.

**Q.** In a wiring system where 3-phase, 4-wire, 208-volt with 120-volt lighting is used, would a 220-volt motor used on this system produce its rated horsepower and R.P.M.?

**A.** Yes, the motor would produce its H.P. and R.P.M. though the full load current will now be increased by 6%,  

$$\text{i.e. } \frac{220 \text{ volts}}{208 \text{ volts}} = \frac{\text{Current at 220 volts}}{\text{Current at 208 volts}}$$

**Q.** If the number 1.73 appears in a formula, what type electrical system would it refer to and why would it be used?

**A.** It would refer to a three-phase, 3 or 4-wire system with a balanced load. Its use is seen from the following diagram and calculation whether star or delta service:

I—Line Current  
 Eo—Load Voltage to Neutral  
 Ee—Load Voltage between lines or phases  
 W—Watts delivered

$$E_o = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} E_e \text{ \& } E_o = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\times E_e \therefore 3 E_o = 3 E_e$$

$\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$  is the angle relationship between the voltages.

$$W = 3 E_o I \times \text{Power Factor} = \sqrt{3} E_e I \times \text{P.F.}$$

$\therefore$  For 120/208 volt 3-phase, 4-wire system:

$$W = 3 \times 115V \times I \times \text{P.F. or } \sqrt{3} \times 208V \times I \times \text{P.F.}$$

The power factor is unity when the current is in phase with the voltage i.e., it does not lead or lag the voltage due to capacitive or inductive load.

**Q.** When may one controller serve a group of motors?

**A.** See Article 430, section 4387:

a. If a number of motors drive several parts of a single machine or piece of apparatus such as metal and wood-working machines, cranes, hoists and similar apparatus.

b. If a group of motors is under the protection of one overcurrent device as permitted in paragraph (a) of section 4343.

c. If a group of motors is located in a single room within sight from the controller location, i.e., a distance of 50 feet or less.

**Q.** NEC Page 331, Par. 4, states that if there are more than three conductors in a raceway and if the number of wires is from four to six, the conductor capacity is reduced to 80 per cent. Does this apply if the fourth wire is a bare neutral in a 3-phase 4-wire wye system? I have four No. 500,000 AVA conductors in a 3½-inch service pipe (neutral conductor bare) which is permitted by the code. Table 1, chapter 10, states

that 500,000 AVA has 470 amp. capacity. Does the fourth wire (bare neutral) reduce the capacity of the other conductors to 80 per cent, thus making my service capacity only 376 amps? Also, is it permissible to connect a No. 6 R wire, rated at 50 amps, to a service switch rated at 30 amps? Of course, the switch will be fused at 30 amps.

LEONARD RICHMAN,  
Freehold, N. J.

**A.** NEC Page 331, Par. 4, states that a neutral conductor which carries only the unbalanced current from other conductors, as in the case of normally balanced circuits of three or more conductors, shall not be counted in determining current carrying capacities as provided for in the preceding paragraph 4. Therefore, your four No. 500,000 AVA will have its full rating of 470 amperes. You may connect No. 6 R wire if you desire to the 30 ampere switch.

**Q.** Exactly what is meant by the letters RW when used in reference to a type of R wire? Also, is there any limit to the number of bends allowed in BX on new work?

R. H. JONES,  
South Pasadena, Calif.

**A.** The RW type of wire means moisture resistant rubber covered wire and it may be used in place of lead covered wire in wet locations or pulled in conduit underground. Article 310, Section 3102 of NEC describes the meaning of various types of wire.

**Q.** What per cent of voltage drop should be used in calculating power and light feeder?

**A.** The size of the feeder conductors should be such that voltage drop up to the final distribution point for the load as computed by sections 2116 and 2203 of NEC will not be more than 3 per cent for power loads and 1 per cent for lighting load.

**Q.** Is type RH wire allowed to be used in flush or recessed fixtures?

**A.** Chapter 9, Section 94105-f states that recessed fixtures shall be wired with type AF or A1 fixture wire. That no solder shall be used in the construction of the fixture box is also a good construction point to bear in mind. Therefore, use wire nuts or pressure connectors for joining wires.



# Editorial

by J. SCOTT MILNE, Editor

## Adequate Wiring

Five years ago the State of Washington, by governor's proclamation, set aside an Electrical Safety Week. This year's observance, which extended from April 25 to May 1, received customary support from the Electric Club of Washington, composed of persons connected with the electrical industry. Members of our own Local 46 are well represented and highly regarded among this group.

Electrical Safety Week stresses the importance of adequate wiring as a measure to reduce fire hazards. The national fire loss in 1947 has been estimated at \$692,835,000, and the second leading cause is attributed to defective wiring and abuse given to appliances. Over-loaded circuits, unauthorized wiring installations, the use of substandard wiring and equipment, fuses, cords and appliances, contribute to the destruction of life and property.

The huge backlog of electrical appliances so urgently needed and which manufacturers are moving rapidly into trade channels, finds many inadequately wired homes unable to use them because of lack of capacity.

"An inadequately wired home can be likened to a person on a strict diet who can only gaze upon food he cannot eat," says Capt. Stephen E. Sanislo, of the Seattle Fire Department, and state chairman, Electrical Safety Week. "It is the largest educational job ever to face the electrical industry as well as organizations interested in safety."

The captain has hit the nail on the head. And if one state can successfully impress its citizens annually with the importance of electrical safety, there is every good reason in the world for making Electrical Safety Week a nation-wide observance.

## Power Requirements

President Truman has met with three advisers and asked them to make an estimate of the extra electric power necessary to meet defense needs of the United States. One of the facts that came out of the conference is that the Tennessee Valley Authority is not the limitless source of power that the general public believes it to be. Gordon Clapp, chairman of the TVA, says he is deeply concerned about the power situation in the valley. Power consumption there is now higher than at any time during the war.

As is well known, power generated by the TVA

turns the wheels at super-secret Oak Ridge, and during the war it also served many other vital installations. Despite its outstanding record, there are those in Congress who would, at this critical time, curb and restrain the activities of the authority. The men attempting to promote these curbs are those who have fought TVA throughout its history. Little can be said of their foresight, which is apparently nil when it comes to visualizing the country's power requirements. Their hindsight, too, is singularly dim. Many sincere advocates of the free enterprise system, in their studies of the TVA's role in our economy, had their honest doubts about its efficacy. But when they saw that TVA accomplished a job that it alone could accomplish, they came around to the view that its role was vital. As much cannot be said for the Congressional spokesmen for the private power interests who, willy-nilly, pursue their course of reckless obstructionism.

## No Housing Shortage?

Like the queen who, when informed her subjects had no bread, said "Let them eat cake," the remark of the real estate lobbyist to the effect that there is no housing shortage is also likely to pass into history as a supreme example of callous stupidity.

The record in nearly all areas shows that the need for housing is increasing instead of diminishing. In New York City, for example, nearly 91,000 applications have been filed in the past five months for low-rent apartments. Applications are still pouring in at the New York City Housing Authority at the rate of more than 10,000 a month. Seventy-four per cent are from veterans who are in acute need of homes.

An analysis of the present living arrangements of the 91,000 applicants showed the following:

	Vets	Non-vets
Hotel .....	337	140
Rooming house or furnished apartments .....	12,867	3,959
Apartments .....	17,515	13,328
Sharing with parents and in-laws...	28,361	3,467
Sharing with others.....	4,850	1,757
Other .....	3,435	773
Total.....	67,365	23,424

These figures comprise their own pungent editorial on the need for housing. Little need be added to



them, except to multiply them a thousand-fold to get a picture of the housing situation nationally.

Though there is a boom in home construction, it is a boom in which only the comparatively well-to-do can participate. It can also be said that many of these new houses, selling for high prices, will be millstones around their owners' necks for the rest of their lives.

Congressional passage of the Taft-Ellender-Wagner Bill offers the only way out of the housing dilemma in which millions find themselves. It will take consistent public pressure on the Senate Banking and Currency Committee, however, to get the bill released from its present pigeonhole. The effective way to apply this pressure is to urge your congressman to get the bill released by the committee.

## Monopoly Still Here

Monopoly, which some innocent citizens think has been on the wane since the days of Teddy Roosevelt and the Sherman Anti-Trust Act, is still very much with us. In fact, judging by the records of the Department of Justice, monopoly is now more entrenched and more powerful than it ever was in the days of "T. R."

In the roster of the 1,132 corporations now under indictment on charges of violating the anti-trust laws are names which generally enjoy good repute among the U. S. public. Of course, these firms should not be judged guilty before they are convicted. And as it stands, there is little likelihood that more than a few of them will be convicted. This is not because the Justice Department lacks material on which to base suits; it is because it lacks personnel. One of the most vital surgical jobs that could be done to our economy—that of exposing and laying bare the real extent to which monopoly extracts its toll from all of us—is stymied because the anti-trust division of the Justice Department is denied funds to undertake the operation.

## Adulterated Food

The annual report of the Food and Drug Administration has some pertinent things to say about adulterated food. After listing scores of cases that were unearthed during 1947, the administration observes: "Unfortunately for the welfare of the consuming public, the incentive to perpetrate economic cheats is strongest when food is in short supply and prices are high. While such violations are motivated by a desire to profit illegally at the expense of the purchaser, these practices frequently damage more than his pocketbook. High prices are a severe strain on the food budgets of a large portion of the population. When food money is spent for water, as is the case when butter is below the legal fat content or fruit beverages are deficient in fruit, the victims are deprived of essential nutritive elements. When they pay prevailing prices for genuine foods and receive imitations or substandard products which they could

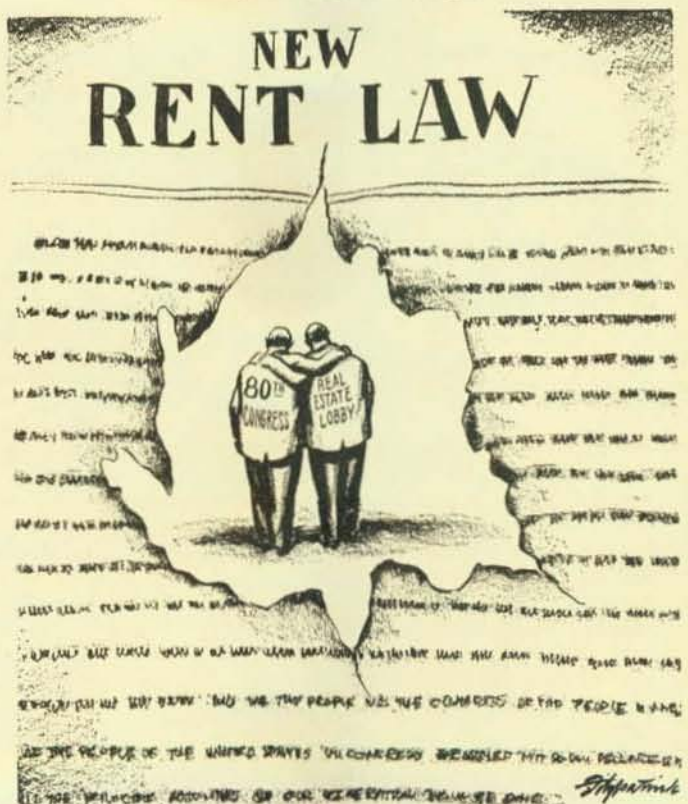
have purchased at much lower prices under honest labeling, the food budget again suffers, even though the misbranded product is wholesome."

The report adds that these violations are not condoned by legitimate business, "which finds in them an abortive attempt to undermine honest merchandise. The worst offenders are often fly-by-night concerns using typical bootleg tactics to distribute violative merchandise. . . ."

Another revealing thing about the report is that the boys in the phony medicine racket continue to thrive on human gullibility. More conservatively, the report phrases it as follows: "Misrepresentation of medicines as panaceas for serious disease conditions was more blatant in the old days, but the practice has not been completely abandoned. The credulous purchaser now seldom finds a serious disease he is seeking to cure listed openly on the bottle label. Those who persist in selling their nostrums by means of misleading claims have resorted to circulars, frequently added to the package only after it has reached the dealers' shelves, and to oral misrepresentations of the curative properties of the compound."

By imposing heavy fines on the purveyors of adulterated food, the Food and Drug Administration has prevented these racketeers from gaining entrenched positions in the food industry. It has been less successful in dealing with the sellers of misbranded medicines who are in a game as old as the history of mankind.

### "Easy to See Through"



—Fitzpatrick in the St. Louis Post-Dispatch.



# New Electrical Products

## Low Voltage Measurements Made on Potentiometer

A new portable potentiometer for precise measurements of very low voltages has been announced by the Meter and Instrument Division of the General Electric Company.

The potentiometer is designed for checking temperature-measurement instruments and for the testing of rotating machines, ovens, furnaces, oil-burners, steam-driven equipment, and air-conditioning units. The instrument was designed originally for measuring the low voltages of thermocouple outputs in testing steam turbines manufactured at G. E.

The equipment of the potentiometer, which is contained in a durable, fabric-covered luggage case, includes the galvanometer, standard cell, work-

This potentiometer has two ranges, 0-60 to 0-6 millivolts, either of which may be selected by means of a switch on the panel. The voltage to be measured is read on two dials, with each step on the first dial being 0.2 millivolt, and each division on the second dial, 0.001 millivolt.

## Life of Ultraviolet Lamp Increased by 2,000 Hours

A 100 per cent increase in the rated life of the WL-794 Sterilamp ultraviolet lamp—from 2,000 to 4,000 hours—is announced by Westinghouse Lamp Division, Bloomfield, N. J.

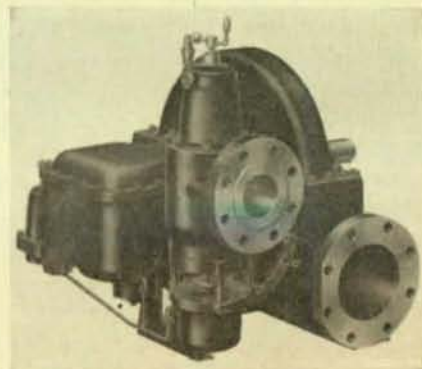
This improvement in life performance is due principally to modifications in the electrode design, improved manufacturing techniques and more thorough quality control supervision. As a result, the ultraviolet output throughout service life is better than ever as the drop off due to ageing and solarization is no greater at the end of 4,000 hours than it was at 2,000 hours. This means that the cost of the protection provided by the WL-794 Sterilamp ultraviolet lamp has been halved.

## Small Mechanical-Drive Turbine Put on Market

A new small mechanical-drive turbine, designated as Type DP, with ratings ranging from 10 to 1200 hp and with speeds from 1000 to 5000 rpm, has been announced by General Electric's Turbine Divisions.

Designed on the basis of a survey of hundreds of turbine users, the Type DP is available in three single-stage frame sizes with a 16-inch, 20-inch, and 25-inch wheel. Embodying such features of large turbines as hydraulic governing for wider speed range and more accurate control, and pressure oiling of bearings to insure positive lubrication, it can be applied as a drive for pumps, compressors, fans, blowers, and similar equipment.

The new oil-relayed governing system gives superior performance over previous mechanical governors. Range of speed adjustment has been increased to 30 per cent; speed regulation has been reduced to 6 per cent. More parts are enclosed, and the governing system is completely encased in an oil atmosphere, thereby eliminating rusting problems on standby service.



New small turbine has ratings from 10 to 1200 HP, speeds from 1000 to 2500 RPM with mechanical drive.

A new balanced valve design is used for the governing valve and the combined trip-throttle valve. With this design less force is required to operate the valves, and a given size valve can handle larger steam flows. These valves are combined in one assembly.

Maintenance of the new small turbine is made easier by the accessibility of individual components such as the oil cooler, oil pump, and steam and oil strainers. The great majority of parts are interchangeable on all Type DP frame sizes. Spare parts kits, with parts applicable to these standard turbines, are available.

## New Shockproof Instruments Serve Switchboard Uses

A new line of long-scale switchboard instruments employing bearings with spring-mounted jewels which work to protect the pivots even under conditions of abnormal shock or abuse has been announced by General Electric's Meter and Instrument Divisions.

The new Type AB-15 (a-c) and DB-15 (d-c) instruments are designed for general switchboard use by electric utilities and large industries.

The new instruments have scales 7.1 inches long spanning 250 degrees about the center. To facilitate correlation of the numerals with the proper scale divisions, numbered major divisions are accented. All legends, such as "a-c Amperes" etc., are located below the center of the scale and thus are never partially covered by the pointer. All scale numerals are horizontally placed to facilitate readings.

The new bearing construction permits hard use without harm to the



Operator at controls of G-E portable potentiometer. Galvanometer shown at upper left.

ing batteries and rheostats for adjusting the current through the potentiometer circuit.

The galvanometer, which is not built in, is furnished with a built-in transformer so the galvanometer lamp may be operated from 115-volt, a-c supply lines, but if field conditions dictate, the transformers may be readily disconnected and the lamp operated from four No. 6 dry cells. In addition, a convenient system of keys is provided to enable readings to be taken rapidly and all contacts are enclosed to prevent wear due to dust and dirt conditions.



pivots. If, due to shock, the pressure of the pivot on the jewel is appreciably higher than normal, the jewel merely recedes into the screw. Before the jewel hits bottom, the shoulder on the end of the shaft strikes the top of the jewel screw and takes the shock, thus protecting the jewel and pivot.

The instruments can be easily disassembled for inspection or repair. Moving elements can be withdrawn from the mechanism without disturbing the control springs or the jewel. This means that the assemblies can be removed and replaced without noticeable change in the scale distribution, resulting in reduced maintenance costs and often eliminating the need for recalibration and repair.

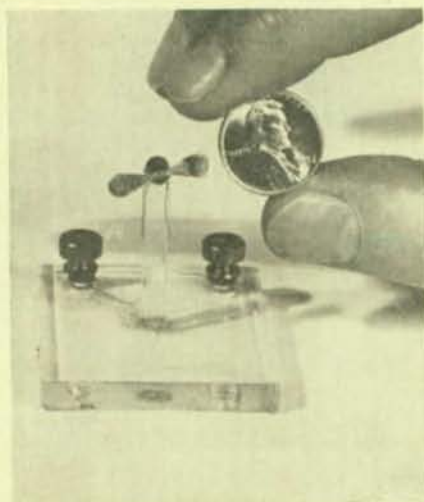
The mounting dimensions and general case size has not been changed. Types AB-15 and DB-15 are mechanically interchangeable with older Types AB-13 and DB-13.

The new long-scale line, designed to meet the basic requirements of Navy specifications, retains many features found in present G-E switchboard instruments: one per cent of full-scale accuracy, anti-parallax scale, non-glare glass, thorough shielding from stray fields, external zero adjusters (when required), high overload characteristics, and good performance under conditions of varying ambient temperature.

### Unorthodox Motor Said to Be the World's Smallest

The world's smallest electric motor—a pygmy power plant so tiny that a half-dozen fit comfortably in a lady's thimble—was demonstrated recently by engineers of the United States Instrument Corporation, at Summit, N. J.

Weighing less than a gram, the electrical Lilliputian measures a mere



World's smallest electric motor weighs less than a gram and will fit in a lady's thimble.

3/16 inch in length and diameter, requires 1½ volts, and runs with high efficiency at a speed of 7,000 revolutions per minute.

This midget is the most diminutive of a series of sub-miniature direct current electric motors invented by J. V. and J. E. G. Eurich, brothers, of Lancashire, England. The motors bear the name, "Electrotor," and will be manufactured and sold exclusively in America by the United States Instrument Corporation.

The Electrotor, according to United States Instrument engineers, was made possible by the Eurich brothers' invention of a new type armature, called the "gap-ring armature." Built on completely unorthodox lines, the motor is unlike any other motor ever produced and is not merely a small scale version of a conventional motor.

The world's smallest motor was not engineered as a practical unit, it was explained, but to demonstrate Electrotor size possibilities. It has three larger brothers, however, on which American volume production will soon begin.

### New Luminous-Tube Transformer Marketed

A new luminous-tube hanger-type transformer has been announced by the Specialty Transformer and Bal-



New luminous-tube transformer for indoor installation is half size and weight of conventional types.

last Sales Divisions of the General Electric Company.

The new unit, which is for indoor installation, is approximately half the size and half the weight of conventional hanger-type units. A special mounting bracket makes it equally adaptable to wall or pendant mounting.

It is available in six ratings, from 5,000 volts, 18 ma, to 9,000 volts, 18 ma, with either secondary cable leads or secondary electrode receptacles.

### New Control Centralizes Operation of Motors

A new motor control center which makes possible controlling any number of motors rated up to 200 hp at 440 volts from one central location, has been announced by the Control Divi-



Control center with frontal connections makes central operation of any number of motors possible. Featured are clothespin contacts and built-in circuit breakers.

sions of the General Electric Company. These control centers are designed so that all connections can be made from the front, thus permitting the centers to be lined up against the wall or in back-to-back fashion to conserve space.

These new control centers consist of standard starter units which are slid into vertical, cabinet-type sections in "building block" fashion. The sections are 90 inches high, 20 inches wide, and 12 inches deep. The starters are furnished in five different sizes. Each starter is a complete, fully-enclosed unit which can be arranged within the vertical sections to suit the requirements of the user.

Power connections to the starters are made by "clothespin" contacts which grasp vertical busses in the rear of the sections when the starters are slid into place. Control interconnections to other motors and control are made through a special wiring trough, with a removable cover, which runs the length of the section. All wiring can be done from the front without disturbing the starters.

Each starter has a built-in circuit breaker for short-circuit protection. These breakers are interlocked so that the doors of the sections cannot be opened when the power is on.



# With the Ladies



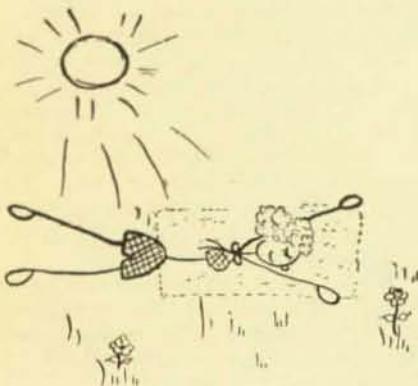
## In the Good Old Summertime

"Summertime and the livin' is easy" or at least it ought to be for all of us hardworking housewives who've been slaving away at the daily chores all winter. This is an invitation for all you "workers' wives" to start taking things easy and get out and enjoy summer just as much as you possibly can.

The children are home from school, daylight-saving time is in effect in most places, so plan now for the whole family to take advantage of that wonderful summer sun. Get out and bask in it and store up plenty of Vitamin D against next winter's cold, blustery days.

### About Your House

First off—about the house. You want it clean and cool as possible, I know, but try to keep it that way with the least possible effort. Take up your winter rugs and down your winter drapes and store them away. This makes a house cooler just to look at. If you have slip covers, good! They're a wonderful aid to a cool, attractive house. Then put away some of those favorite knickknacks that have to be dusted daily and all your brass candlesticks and your silver trays, etc., that have to be cleaned and polished continually. Get rid of as many of your daily chores as you can so you will have more free time to vacation.



Since we're speaking of getting out in the sun, you'll want clothes to get out in the sun in. Why not make yours and your daughters' play clothes—shorts, sunback dresses, etc. They are very easy to make, and cut from cool seersucker, you won't even have to iron them. Just now the pattern departments are full of designs for little boys' and girls' sunsuits. A friend of mine has just finished an adorable sunsuit and bonnet for her 2-year-old daughter. It took her two hours and cost 65 cents. The baby looks just darling in the completed outfit.

### Thar's Gold

And speaking of sewing, you really can save a lot of money this way. Simple summer dresses which cost so much in the stores can be made for a song with very little real effort. Another friend of mine got a remnant of black rayon jersey on sale the other day. She made herself a plain dress with a low, round neck and full skirt. The only trimming on the dress is a gold belt which she purchased at the 10-cent store for 29 cents. With this frock she is wearing a pair of flat-heeled gold evening slippers that she's had for years but they are just like the ones they are showing in all the stores for street and beach wear this summer. This young woman looks like a page right out of *Vogue* and her husband beams with pride every time he looks at her, so smart and pretty in a creation that cost him exactly \$1.69. So there's an idea for you and that old pair of gold evening slippers that you just never used enough to wear out. (Wonder what I did with those old gold wedgies of mine? Mmmmm.)

I know if you're going to take things easy you won't want to spend much time fixing fancy desserts, baking cakes and the like. Fresh fruit, ice cream and store-boughten cookies will have to suffice. However, if your family should get especially hungry for homemade cake and you should just weaken enough to make them one,

here's a recipe you might try. It's called "Wacky Cake" and when you've read the directions you'll know why. But it really is quite good and the wonderful part about this cake is, that it is mixed and baked in a jiffy in a single pan. No bowls to wash, no tins to grease. It's cake-baking in its simplest and most painless form.

### WACKY CAKE

- 1½ cups flour
- 1 cup sugar
- 3 tablespoons cocoa
- ½ teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon soda

Sift these ingredients into an ungreased pan. Make three depressions. Into one put 1 tbsp. vinegar. Into second put one cup of cold water. Into third put 5 tbsps. melted butter. Stir well. Bake at 350 degrees until it shrinks from sides—about 40 minutes.

### Icing

- 1 square melted chocolate
- 3 tbsp. melted butter
- ½ lb. 4-X sugar
- 3 tbsp. cream
- 1 tsp. vanilla

Mix well and spread on top of cake leaving it in the pan.





# Our Auxiliaries

In spite of warm weather, vacation problems and other complications attendant to the "good old summertime," many of our auxiliaries are continuing to meet and are carrying on their union activities as energetically as ever.

Here is an account of the beautiful installation ceremony conducted by the Ladies' Auxiliary of L. U. No. 108.

## L. U. No. 108, Tampa, Fla.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of Local No. 108 held a very lovely and impressive installation service in the auditorium of the Union Hall Thursday evening, March 25, 1948.

The auditorium and stage were decorated with palms, potted plants and cut flowers. As a central decoration stood a tree bearing candles representing the auxiliary.

Mrs. Frank Barrs, president of the Letter Carriers' Auxiliary, and Mrs. Curtis Kicklighter, vice president, were invited to officiate at the installation. Mrs. C. W. Billet at the piano played a program of soft music throughout the ceremony.

All past presidents attending were honored with the retiring officers. Each was given a lighted candle and was escorted to the tree, the candles denoting their office. As each incoming officer was presented by Mrs. Kicklighter to the installing officer, she was given the duties of her office and then lighted the candle at the tree.

Mrs. N. J. Drake was elected to serve as president for the coming year. She will be assisted by Mrs. George Govereau, vice president; Mrs. F. C. Trimble, secretary; Mrs. G. Frank Thompson, treasurer. All officers present were given corsages, carrying out the blue and gold theme of the auxiliary.

The husbands of the auxiliary members joined their wives in the audience to witness the installation, after which the auxiliary retired to the social room.

The social room was beautifully decorated with burning candles and lovely floral decorations carrying out the blue and gold theme. An embossed cake bearing six candles for the six years of the auxiliary organization, was served with ice cream by Mrs. W. J. Blossfield and Mrs. Walter Lightsey, hostesses for the evening.

MRS. JOHN F. WILLIS, P. S.



## Accent on Summer

Some of your friends fortunate enough to have lovely yards, may be having garden parties this summer. If you have a garden, too, why not be different and organize gardening parties among your friends. Plan these parties with a number of your friends and schedule one or two a week. Each person brings to the party slips or seedlings of his or her favorite flowers or whatever grows best in his yard or he has most of. Each guest plants his offering and helps the host and hostess with their general gardening work. The host and hostess organize and supervise the collective gardening effort, serve plenty of cold drinks and sandwiches and present themselves promptly at the next gardening party with trowel and potential floral offering in hand.

### Hose Frolics

In the same vein, for you folks who have yards, are hose parties for the small fry. Breathes there a mother in all this land who owns both a back or front yard and a hose, who hasn't heard the plaintive plea, "Mother, can we put on our bathing suits and get under the hose?" Organize hose parties in your neighborhood. Today all the children on the block come to your house and frolic in the carefree spray of your old garden hose. Tomorrow your children go with the others to Smith's and Wednesday it's Betty Jones' turn to have the hose party—and so on through the week. Result: you know where your children are. They are having good *clean* supervised fun and your house and lawn get water-logged *once* a week *only*.

### Bring Summer Indoors

If you're going to simplify household tasks and have more time to do the things you want to do this summer, can I harp back to a favorite hobby of mine, flower arranging? There are so many lovely summer flowers available and there is no end to beautiful combinations you can try.

Some equipment every "flower arranger" finds most helpful are:

(1) Square and round needle flower holders which come in many sizes.

(2) Modeling clay for securing holders to containers.

(3) Florists wire for twining stems and blossoms together for particular effects.

(4) Crumpled chicken wire (2-inch mesh). This makes a fine holder for both short and long-stemmed flowers.

Bring out your old bottles, jam holders, odd pieces of glassware and china, beanpots, pewter, brass and copper. There is no end to the interesting designs you can create, and there is no mistake about it, flowers tastefully arranged, give your rooms a lift. You can bring the fragrance, the brightness and beauty of summer right indoors.

The secret of beautiful flower arrangements is not in the kind of flowers you select but in what you do with them. A few simple blossoms can often be used to create a more interesting and beautiful effect than dozens of the florist's most gorgeous and expensive blooms.

### Iced Drinks

One secret of a cool summer is to serve plenty of cold drinks. Iced tea is an old favorite with everybody. It will be even more welcome served with fancy ice cubes made by filling your ice trays with water and placing in each section a maraschino cherry, a strawberry, piece of lemon, pineapple, sprig of mint, etc.

Your died-in-the-wool coffee addicts will love you forever if you serve iced coffee prepared thus:

Make strong coffee and freeze it in your refrigerator tray. Place several of these coffee cubes in a glass and pour over them: cream and freshly made hot coffee.

Children and cocoa lovers will enjoy iced chocolate. Make chocolate in the usual way and chill it. Serve it over crushed ice and top it with whipped cream or ice cream.



## Sunny (?) Southern California ("Real Estate for Sale")

(Inspired due to knowledge that my father, more than 60 years ago, fell for real estate sharks in California when on a trip there from Chicago; and when he died in 1896 he still had never learned whether the city lots he thought he bought some place in Southern California were three miles out under the Pacific Ocean or on some other planet high above the Sierra Madre Mountains. Of course the following lines do not give the true picture in full. While walking up square, redwood poles and pickin' slivers around Southern California 40 years ago, I wish I had grabbed a few lots or acreage at that time at a hundred bucks expense. In many instances that sum spent then has turned into as much or more than \$100,000. But, Brother, "them days and bargains just now ain't.")

Of all the sharks within the state who make the rest look pale, commit me to the master sharks with real estate for sale; they offer bargain city lots which hide so far away, a radio wave would find it tough to reach them in a day. The suckers come from many states to grab a "bargain deal" while salesmen say—"that's not a buy, it really is a steal; you certainly are fortunate to buy on the 'ground floor,' you'll be mighty sorry very soon you didn't grab some more." And so it's been for 60 years in this old sunny (?) state, and salesmen still are sure to say—"you nearly came too late; I tell you if you pass this buy for such a little kale, you'll rue the day you failed to snatch more land at this great sale." He fails to tell you that some lots once sold 'bout once each year, that buyers couldn't find them when they came to prove them clear; they couldn't get a title to the lots they couldn't find while the salesman he was elsewhere rooking more saps of their kind. Some sharks had one grand racket with blueprints of desert plots all criss-crossed with lines and little shapes to mark those city lots. If I had dough I'd buy a field and build a mighty jail and fill it full of wily sharks with REAL ESTATE FORT SALE.

TIP REYNOLDS, I. O.  
Formerly of L. U. No. 65.

## Stepping Out

City Rook: "Our gas stove exploded and blew mother and father out of the house together."

Country Rook: "That's terrible."

City Rook: "Yeah, but it made mother very happy."

Country Rook: "Made her happy?"

City Rook: "Yep—that was the first time they'd left home together in 20 years."

## He Laid an Egg

A member of the Ladies' Aid Society in a small town went to the bank to deposit, as she told the banker, "some aid money."

Unfortunately, the banker thought she said "egg money," and replied: "Remarkable isn't it, how well the old hens are doing these days?"

Then he couldn't understand why the woman gathered up her passbook and hurried from the bank!



## No Profit

Coroner: "And what were your husband's last words?"

New Widow: "He said: 'I don't see how they make a profit out of this stuff at a dollar and a quarter a quart.'"

## Sonny Is Safe

The head of the house was reading a newspaper article very carefully. When he finished, he remarked to his wife: "Do you know, dear, I think there's something in what this article says—that the cleverness of the father often proves a stumbling block to the son."

His wife heaved a sigh of relief. "Well, thank goodness," she said, "our little Johnny will never have anything to fall over."

## Good Targets

Sergeant (on rifle range): "This new bullet will penetrate nearly two feet of solid wood, so remember to keep your heads down."

## On Wrong Side

Johnnie (to new visitor): "So you are grandma, are you?"

Grandma: "Yes, Johnnie, I'm your grandma on your father's side."

Johnnie: "Well, you're on the wrong side. You'll find that out."

## Money Saved

Ephraim, storekeeper in a small Vermont town, was greeted by a neighbor who consoled him on the loss of some of his merchandise during a fire. "Did you lose much?" asked the friend.

"Not too much," came the laconic reply. "I'd just marked most of my stock down 25 per cent."

## Plain Servant

He rode his tractor in the sun of Fall,  
The plowshare snapping in the brittle roots,

Dust rose from stubble dry and starved for rain,

And fell upon his face, his shirt, his boots.

The sweat of toil made rivers in the dirt,  
Black beetles dodged beneath his crunching wheels,

Here rode no glamor that the city dweller sees,

In color movies' bright, deceiving reels.

A tired man working for his daily bread,  
Yet he is beam and girder of God's plan,  
The Master chose the simple, humble folk,  
He loved nobody as He loved the working man.

D. A. HOOVER,  
L. U. No. 1306.

## The Picket-Sentinel

He paces his post with determined tread,  
Unarmed, display of posters his only shield;

Alert, to protect his daily bread,

A valiant soldier in industry's field.

Severest wintry gales, snow and sleet

Will not impede his precious chore;

Torrential downpour, summer's scorching heat

Will spur him on, his goal to score.

A spark of hope ignites his eyes

With fire of endurance, come what will;

With scorn and contempt his heart defies

The "scab" who seeks his job to fill.

And victory day is sure to arrive

With richest rewards he's ever known;

His cherished cause is sure to survive,

He'll reap the fruit his faith has sown!

And the rodent's evil deeds of greed

To certain doom are due to lead!

A Bit o' Luck,

ABE GLICK,

L. U. No. 3.

## Poor Choice

Asked what he thought of the two candidates for the election, an enlightened voter replied: "Well, when I look at them I'm thankful only one of them can get elected."

## Vengeance

An old story, but a good one:

A man who had been bitten by a dog found that his wounds didn't heal and consulted a doctor. The physician, alarmed by the appearance of the wound, had the dog caught and examined. The dog had rabies. As it was too late to give the man a serum, the doctor told him he would have to die of hydrophobia.

The poor man sat down at a desk and began writing. The physician sought to comfort him.

"Perhaps it will not be so bad," he said. "You needn't make your will now."

"I'm not making my will," replied the man. "I'm writing out a list of people I'm going to bite."

## Well-Placed Sarcasm

"Sure the list price of the dinner is two dollars," said the waiter blandly to the new car salesman, "but the flowers on the table bring it to \$3.75."



## Nashville Site of State Electrical Workers' Meet

**TENNESSEE STATE ELECTRICAL WORKERS ASSOCIATION.**—The spring conference of the Tennessee State Electrical Workers Association was held in the Andrew Jackson Hotel, Nashville, April 4th. To say L. U. No. 429 was a royal host is to put it mildly.

Our principal speaker was International Secretary J. Scott Milne who brought the members a real message on the part our Brotherhood and our membership must play in the coming months and years. He told us in plain words several things about our pension plan and what we must expect if we keep it going. We all have work to do and more of us had better take part in the work if we all expect to participate in the benefits. There was a very good attendance and the Brothers of L. U. 429 turned out in goodly number.

There was a larger proportion of the membership of L. U. 429 in attendance

than in any city we have had so far. We hope the members of other locals will turn out better for our meetings. The benefits are great compared to the effort. Come and see for yourselves.

Other I. O. Brothers present were Vice President W. B. Petty, Representatives T. H. Payne, Al Wright and C. W. Harkins. An outstanding feature of this meeting was the presentation of 25-year membership buttons, by L. U. 429, to 14 of its members whose con-

tinuous good standing ran 25 years, or more. Two members could not attend. Brother Milne made the presentation to the 12 who were present. They were C. J. Maunsell, J. A. Hogle, Duell Wright, John Redd, Sr., W. J. Pullman, W. B. Doss, J. L. Travis, John Redd, Jr., H. C. Potts, O. C. Walls, H. F. Brown and L. E. Gupton.

W. E. Jacobs, of the O.R.B., who is the state labor commissioner, told us how he helped organize the first electrical local in these parts as a member of the Knights of Labor. Brother Jacobs stated that Tennessee has wiped out child labor and home workshops. The last legislature did give the workers some benefits including amendments to the fire marshal's code, calling for better state electrical inspection. This is something the association has been working for during these past 10 years.

Along the same line, Wilson Waters, a member of L. U. 429 who has just recently been appointed County Electrical inspector for Davidson County, made a short talk.

Lee Sanders, president of the Nashville Trades and Labor Council, outlined the progress of the labor movement here and assured us that the Political Education Committee is very active and showing results in registrations and poll tax payments.

Congressman Estes Kefauver sat down to dinner with us and spoke for a few minutes on the labor situation in Congress now and what it may be. His nine-year record is 100 per cent for labor and TVA.

Ben Faucett, editor of the *Nashville Trades and Labor News*, took the pictures accompanying this story and called our attention to the ballot being taken by the AFL on the Taft-Hartley Law.

After discussing the handling of the coming International Convention in Memphis on the Mississippi, we selected Johnson City as the next city to entertain the association in September.

CHARLES J. MAUNSELL,  
Secretary.

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## Development of California Power by People Urged

**JOINT EXECUTIVE CONFERENCE OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA ELECTRICAL WORKERS.**—At our regular quarterly meeting held in Monterey on April 10, 1948, the following resolution was adopted with the request that a copy be published in our official JOURNAL:

WHEREAS the State of California is today confronted with a serious power shortage; and

WHEREAS this power shortage is caus-

## Meeting of Tennessee Electrical Workers



*Scenes at meeting of Tennessee State Electrical Workers Association. Upper left, W. B. Doss, president of association; upper right, J. O. Boyd and Ted P. Loftis, arrangements committee for L. U. 429; second row, left, J. Scott Milne, secretary of the I. B. E. W.; center, speakers table; right, W.*

*B. Petty; bottom row, the 12 Brothers who received 25-year membership pins from J. Scott Milne. Johnson City will be next conclave site.*



ing industries to shut down part time, thereby throwing many men out of work, and is affecting the every-day life of all residents of this state; and

WHEREAS if this situation should continue for any length of time, it will seriously affect agriculture and will stop other industries from locating plants in this community; and

WHEREAS this critical situation has been brought about to a large extent by the Pacific Gas and Electric Company, which has continually opposed and delayed the Federal Government in its Shasta Power and transmission lines project, which would bring abundant cheap power to the people of California: Therefore be it

Resolved, That we, the Northern California Joint Executive Boards of Electrical Workers, in regular meeting, request the California State Federation of Labor to prepare and have introduced into the California Legislature or the U. S. Congress the necessary legislation which will bring about the development and distribution of the water and power resources of this state in the interests of the people of the state and not private monopoly; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be published in our official JOURNAL and a copy sent to the Southern and Central Joint Executive Boards of Electrical Workers.

Submitted by:

LOCAL UNION 595, I. B. E. W.  
1918 Grove Street,  
Oakland, Calif.

Brother Amos Feeley was present, and made a presentation of a beautiful scroll to George Kimball. The scroll was from the California State Association of Electrical Workers to Mr. George Kimball, chief electrical inspector for the State of California, who will retire shortly.

Hoping you can crowd our resolution in the JOURNAL and, congratulating you on the splendid job being done with our official JOURNAL, I remain,

J. A. GIOVANNINI,  
Secretary-Treasurer.

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### Army's Discussion of Labor Found No More Than Fair

L. U. 3, NEW YORK, N. Y.—In an effort to give the Brother members an insight into some of the devious methods used by some of the members of Congress to discredit organized labor we give you a résumé of an article in a local newspaper.

It appears that the U. S. Army has an educational program for troops which includes "talks" on various subjects. One of these, "Armed Forces Talk 220" deals with organized labor in the U.S.A. Because this "talk" gives labor credit for its accomplishments and doesn't emphasize the shortcomings enough, four Congressmen, members of a subcommittee and all from the Middle West, are trying to prove it subversive and to prevent the Army from issuing any future "talks" that are complimentary to labor.

They will have a tough job pinning a disloyalty charge on the man responsible for these "talks" for, to quote from the newspaper "The Troop Information and Education Division is headed by Brigadier General C. T. Lanham, who

is a West Pointer and fought from the Normandy beachhead across Europe to the juncture with the Russians. He drips with service ribbons and decorations and doesn't at all look like the cartoons of a Red."

In spite of this they are still trying. The four Congressmen named as members of this subcommittee are; Representative Clare Hoffman of Michigan, Representative Forrest A. Harness of Indiana, Representative Walter H. Judd of Minnesota and Representative Wint Smith of Kansas.

One of the statements to which they take exception, again quoting from the newspaper is, "Employees join unions because in unions they have more strength than any of them possess as individuals." The committee did not think a section dealing with abuses in unions was "strong enough." Suppose you do some thinking, too.

Those of you that are still inclined to believe that the Taft-Hartley Act is "Labor's Bill of Rights" should, if you read anything except the sporting news, be becoming somewhat enlightened as to its iniquity, when you read and hear of the many injunctions against labor organizations, most of them obtained by employers without too much trouble or red tape.

This writer has no particular love for John L. Lewis or for his way of doing business. We know he is not well thought of by many members of organized labor, but how many of us know anything about his opposite for the operators, Mr. Ezra Van Horn? One reads or hears little about him, especially no criticism. It is therefore surprising and refreshing when a conservative newspaper, *The New York Herald Tribune*, editorializes as follows: "Let us admit that Mr. Van Horn, and the operators behind him, may be within their rights in throwing this eleventh hour monkey wrench into the machinery (the suit to upset the pension agreement that ended the strike). But it comes with poor grace from one who during the months of controversy over miners' pensions, has made not one constructive proposal to settle the issue, who has contented himself throughout with a negative opposition to the proposals of others. The whole situation would be improved were he to resign in favor of a trustee who, however loyal to the interests of the operators, showed some sense of cooperation."

The moral? Check everything you hear or read that is derogative to labor or a labor official, before you accept it as truth.

FREDERICK V. EICH, P. S.

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### Springfield Member Killed In Fall From a Staging

L. U. 7, SPRINGFIELD, MASS.—I have the sad duty to report the loss of Brother Ralph Streeter, who came to his untimely end through a fall from a staging while at work. It is a loss that is deeply felt by the local, since most of us either worked for or with Brother Streeter at one time or another. Local No. 7 mourns the passing of a good Brother and a fine man.

I. S. GORDON, P. S.

### Responsibility of Office Not to Be Taken Lightly

L. U. 58, DETROIT, MICH.—With the month of June come the biennial elections in our local. As on all other occasions when the individual citizen is asked to take part in government by exercising his most precious possession, which is his right to choose his representatives, WE URGE YOU TO COME OUT AND VOTE.

It is my earnest and sincere conviction that the present administration has served you conscientiously and capably; and it may well stand on its record.

It is also a matter of personal pride for me to have been associated in an executive capacity with these men of the administration of Local Union 58, among whom I can safely say there exists an atmosphere of mutual respect and understanding which has guaranteed the membership the finest relations with the industry and the best of conditions for our wiremen.

Any candidate for office in such an important local as ours should well understand that such responsibility can never be taken lightly. By the same token, the voter should come thoroughly informed and prepared to answer to himself, his family, and his brother member for the wisdom of his selections.

To vote for a pal just because he is a pal, or for a hail-fellow-well-met just because you like to be humored, is, we suggest, not the best possible approach.

Two years ago I wrote: "Let us enter the voting booth with a confident attitude and a complete honesty of purpose; and may each of us emerge with an inward feeling of triumph over having done the very finest thing which our individual consciences have decided." Those words are the best I can write today.

Good luck to you; and good government for Local Union 58!

LEONARD SMITH, P. S.

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### Denver Local Observes 50th Anniversary of Founding

L. U. 68, DENVER, COLO.—On Thursday evening, April 15th, Local Union No. 68 celebrated the 50th anniversary of its founding. It was, however, on March 24, 1898 that a charter was granted to the struggling group of men who were imbued with the idea of banding together for economic advancement and security. Our local union has weathered many years, good and bad, and has grown from a handful of men to its present strength. Our organization is proof that any group of citizens grouped together for the benefit of themselves and their community will under good leadership, continue to gain strength in all respects, economically, morally and socially. History records that growth of beneficial movements is the result of need and the grasping of the opportunity to satisfy that need.

Brother Jack Fisher was banquet chairman and over 800 members, their wives or lady friends, contractors, dealers and friends intimately associated with the electrical industry were present. The tables were beautifully decorated with golden colored flowers and with lights dimmed, golden candles were lighted. A fine dinner was served, which every one seemed to enjoy.



Brother C. B. Noxon, a member of L. U. No. 68 for 40 years, acted as toastmaster. He briefly reviewed the growth of our local. He then introduced the following people, all of whom spoke briefly, congratulating us on our 50th anniversary: the Honorary W. Lee Knous, Governor of Colorado; His Honor, Mayor Quigg Newton, Denver; International Vice President Wallace C. Wright; Bert W. Stiles, president of Rocky Mountain Chapter, N.E.C.A.

Brother Noxon then introduced our International President Dan W. Tracy who spoke not long but well. His talk was inspiring and left a distinct challenge for each of us to do his part to the best of his ability. "The I.B.E.W.," said Mr. Tracy, "has come a long hard way. It has had to fight, it knows how to fight; it will continue to fight!" Further: "Communism must not and will not be allowed to gain a foothold in our organization. We know how to deal with communism and we propose to do just that!" More: "Every man must protect himself by the power of the ballot. It is essential that all exercise this right as free Americans, if we are to remain free, TO REGISTER AND TO VOTE." J. Clyde Williams, our genial business manager, was next introduced and presented a beautifully turned gavel to our Local Union President Jack Fisher. This gavel was turned by Vice President Myron Bailey, the wood of which was taken from the old county court house, now torn down for many years.

To conclude the evening, over an hour's entertainment was provided which was thoroughly enjoyed. Card tricks, imitations, tumblers and razzle dazzle were so pleasing that one and all asked to be invited to the next 50th anniversary! Brothers Clarence Trichka and Myron Bailey were directly responsible for the fine dinner music and entertainment, assisted by the other members of the Committee. Stanley Curtner, recording secretary and Glen H. Gilbert, financial secretary contributed their bit by furnishing and checking names and addresses and assisting wherever possible.

This short account of an outstanding celebration cannot be closed without giving credit where credit is due. First, to the membership for their cooperation and support; second, to all others who contributed so willingly to the success of the evening; and last to the Golden Anniversary committee: C. B. Noxon, chairman, C. E. Trichka, Jack Fisher, Stanley Curtner, Myron Bailey, J. C. Williams and Glen H. Gilbert.

GLEN H. GILBERT, F. S.

## Articles by Politicos Of Both Parties Cited

**L. U. 79, SYRACUSE, N. Y.**—Remember the old bar room signs that used to hang over the mirrors long ago? There is one that I remember especially. It was: "Since man to man is so unjust, we do not know whom we may trust."

That goes for politics too, in our local, state and national affairs. Our wrong vote or failure to vote, means hardship to the working man, believe it or not. Our vote may mean working for wages, or relief, if there is relief.

In two articles, Charles A. McNett, head of the county delegation to the Re-

## Golden Jubilee Banquet of Local 68, Denver



This picture shows part of the crowd of more than 800 who attended the Golden Jubilee banquet. At speaker's table were D. W. Tracy, president of the I. B. E. W.; Wallace C. Wright, eighth district vice president; Lee Knous, governor of Colorado; Quigg Newton, mayor of Denver; Bert W. Stiles, president of Rocky Mountain chapter, N. E. C. A.

publican convention, and Charles J. Hogan, head of the county delegation to the Democratic convention, urged the people to support their particular party by reference to their foreign policies. Neither one mentioned labor in any way, and just barely mentioned our domestic problems.

Mr. McNett contends, and I quote in part, "For nearly 16 years American economic and social systems have been shocked and jarred by the constant tampering with, and attempts to change, the fundamentals of our Republican form of government. There is no sense of direction or permanence in our foreign affairs."

Mr. Hogan contends and I quote in part, "Republicans say they should be entrusted with control of the government at this time because President Truman's policies have failed."

"But in view of the fact that Republicans controlling Congress have been forced by American public opinion and the dictates of their own hearts and minds to support the major Truman policies, that argument is funny."

"I think the opinion is quite generally held that if we could get foreign relations on a satisfactory basis—which of course means checking the advance of Russian communism, thus assuring generations of peace—our domestic problems could be ironed out without too much difficulty."

Syracuse, whose 100th birthday we are celebrating this year, was a very important political center in New York State. Because of its central location and active politicians, it drew other politicians and political conventions as if by magnetic power.

When Harvey Baldwin, Syracuse's first mayor made his "hanging garden" speech in which he predicted a city of 100,000 population, wide streets, fine homes lead-

ing all the way up the hills, which were still farms, and tall buildings, the citizens greeted his predictions with derision, but he was elected mayor.

Whether Mr. Baldwin was really farsighted or was only making a political speech, his predictions have not only come into being, they have been exceeded.

Of an estimated 225,000 people in Syracuse, 57,000 of them work for weekly wages.

Homes have been and still are being built in all directions and this in comparison with the price of lumber today and in 1825 when Syracuse was a village. Pine lumber at the sawmill sold for \$4 per thousand feet and hemlock for \$2.50 per thousand feet.

Tall buildings we have, and there is still a lack in office space, and we have industrial buildings covering vast areas, with expansion still going on.

This, of course, all adds up to labor especially in the building trade and utilities of which we of the I. B. E. W. are a part. The question is how long will this hold up? Will politics change the situation?

We remember that the Taft-Hartley Law was passed by a Congress elected by a majority vote and failure to vote. Will there be others elected who will pass even more restrictive labor laws by your vote or failure to vote?

Some of our members will vote the straight party ticket because they always have, but there is an old Chinese proverb which is true. "The dead and foolish never change their opinion."

The A. F. of L. has established Labor's League for Political Education. It is urgent that you make full use of, and support this for your good and the good of all of us.

FRED KING, P. S.



## Wage Increases and More Sick Leave Won at Portland

**L. U. 125, PORTLAND, OREG.**—Let me introduce our new assistant business agent, Pat O'Connor. He is an old-timer around these parts.

Contract negotiations are progressing and some have been completed. In addition to wage increases some improved working conditions were obtained. Increased sick leave was one of the most important changes in working conditions.

And speaking of sick leave, we have been fighting for improved conditions for years and now that we are making headway let us police ourselves to avoid any abuse of this privilege. During negotiations management has always maintained that sick leave could not be expanded due to the increased cost brought about by the abuse that most certainly would accompany such expansion. Let us prove to them by keeping sick leave to a minimum, that their fears are unfounded.

The negotiated wage increases have not met with 100 per cent satisfaction among the membership. Many are of the definite opinion that they are not sufficient to meet the increased costs of living, but there does not appear to be much that can be done about it. We are being brought face to face with the fact that the Taft-Hartley law is making itself felt.

This law has been in effect some little time now and our business agents have told us from time to time of its subjugating effect on labor but aside from this, do any of us individually know anything of the damaging clauses and have we made any effort to find out? I dare say that the percentage is very small. But do we have an opportunity to find out unless we exert ourselves a little on research? Seldom do any of the objectionable parts of the law appear in print or on the radio but those parts which management decides are helpful to us are seen and heard regularly.

Management has caused to be taken a so-called poll of utility workers which they claim indicates the general opinion that the law should not have been passed, yet the opinions expressed on the 10 provisions of the law indicate a majority for approval of these provisions. What inconsistencies. If the workers polled had been thoroughly informed on these provisions I wonder if the poll would have been the same. If this poll is unbiased and true, which is doubtful, an intensive educational program should be instituted and constantly kept before the membership to inform them on all the different features of the law so that they will know why it is a bad and destructive labor law.

Sometime ago it was my privilege to attend a meeting of the Washington State Electrical Workers Association and a most interesting meeting it proved to be. This association, as other similar associations, is composed of Business Managers and Agents of the various I. B. E. W. unions in the state and created so that they can get together periodically to discuss their common problems. It is my thought that additional interest in union affairs could be created if more representatives from the rank and file could attend these meetings. Better yet would be an associa-

## L. U. Publications

We know that many of our local unions publish local newspapers. We would like to know which locals get out publications and we would also like to see copies. Locals are requested to write the International Secretary and give him information on their publications.

tion consisting of representatives from the rank and file.

When the call comes, don't forget your voluntary contribution to Labor's League for Political Education.

F. P. PARKER, P. S.

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## Labor-Management Relations Seen Heading for a Clash

**L. U. 205, DETROIT, MICH.**—It again falls upon me to act as the press secretary for the local. Different from most of the contributors I read, I get a certain pleasure out of the opportunity to express my impression of problems which we, as Electrical Workers, face.

The best news to appear in the papers for a long, long time was the report that the non-operating crafts on the railroads have decided to demand a 40-hour week and other working improvements which may bring us more closely in line with the standards of other members of our Brotherhood. I am convinced that the industry will resist this demand with all the force at its disposal. We must prove that we are determined to advance the economic position of railroad electrical workers to again place them in the leadership of American labor, a position which has the respect of industry and the admiration of the labor movement.

The whole picture of labor-management relations is steadily moving toward a sharp clash and it is more than likely that the show-down will come in a government controlled industry where the workers can be easily maneuvered into a spot where they can be accused of anti-government policies when they pursue their "program for advancement."

The Taft-Hartley Act and the "government by injunction" now being used against the Mine Workers is an example of the vicious character of the present anti-labor policy of both the industrialists and their legislative lackies.

The A. F. of L. has begun the long fight that is necessary to return to its members the political rights which they must have to use their organized strength for their own protection. Labor's Educational and Political League must be built to such tremendous proportions that it will be able to strike a major blow against the enemies of labor. We do not now have the time or the grass-root foundation to do more in the coming election. We must do all we can knowing that before we halt our march into the political arena we will see a total victory for labor.

I want to challenge the wish-voters and the post-election-dopesters to get into the fight to make the labor ballots the greatest political swing since the Repub-

licans were thrown out in 1932, for the future of American labor political action will probably be determined by those who do most to achieve successes in the present campaign. We can come out of the 1948 election as a much more united electoral force with the organizational structure that is readily developed into a permanently established labor political party.

Finally, before ending this letter, I want to comment on the Pullman organization drive. We in Detroit, with the fine cooperation of International Organizer T. Ramsey, welcome all the Pullman Electrical Workers into Local Union 205. We're looking ahead to many years of mutual assistance.

W. L. INGRAM, P. S.

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## Repeal of Taft-Hartley Act Essential to Labor Advance

**L. U. 211, ATLANTIC CITY, N. J.**—Labor is in the switches. Only repeal of the Taft-Hartley Act, or at the very least serious modification, can assure progress in the coming years for organized labor.

It is my honest belief that anyone connected with the labor movement that votes for any Congressman or Senator who supported this un-American and un-Constitutional piece of legislation is not selling but giving away his birthright to the most unscrupulous bunch from both parties that ever banded together to take away the American way of life from the working people.

One of the sponsors, Senator Taft, claims in the press that it provides means that make it possible for labor unions to drive communists from their ranks. Nothing is further from the truth. The only provision for expulsion from membership provided by the bill is non-payment of dues. Most of our members realize that this provision makes it practically impossible to have discipline under this condition. Surely working under the scale, ratting on jobs, etc., are far more serious offenses than non-payment of dues. Perhaps it would be well if this provision was forced on political organizations which are surely unions. How would Mr. Taft like this provision applied to political unions, that is, no matter if a Republican club member sponsors Democrats or Communists—he could not be expelled from the Republican organization or any action taken against him as long as he paid his dues. This and other things that have come to the attention of the public makes it appear that Mr. Taft is either grossly ignorant of the contents of the bill or a Machiavelian politician.

Once more let no union man give any legislator who supported this bill and is still for it, a vote even if it means not voting for the office involved at all.

The state association here is putting on a bang-up campaign against those who favor the act. However in some sections this might not be enough to offset the years of organized political effort here.

Several papers and magazines have tried to make it look as if the act has labor merit. As far as I can see there is no merit or reason for the act except the purpose for which it was foisted upon the American people, namely as a wedge to drive the American worker back



to the peon stage; also to ruin over half a century of development in labor movements. In our own, possibly ruin of the pension plan, apprentice set-up, etc.

There is only one effectual way for labor to show its resentment of the bill and that is at the polls on general election day.

Let every member get his family and two immediate friends to vote for the legislator no matter from which party, who favors repeal or at least modification of the Taft-Hartley Law and organized labor's problem will be definitely on its way to correction at the next session of Congress.

Most of our problems now due to the Taft-Hartley Act are becoming confidential matters for direct word of mouth discussions among the membership, as to the best methods of solution, due chiefly to the variance of legal opinions as to just what is meant or intended by the different sections of the act.

Therefore it is readily seen how important the semi-annual progress meetings have become and also how important well attended local union meetings are, if the cause is to survive.

Things hereabouts are a little slow but thanks to the cooperation of adjacent locals most of the members are getting time in.

Atlantic City is looking forward to a good season; boardwalk and beaches again in fine shape. The local horse racing track opens August 10 with a straight meet.

I must close now hoping that this communication stirs up some more resentment against the worst piece of anti-labor legislation ever pushed on a people anywhere in the world with the possible exception of Russia or nazi-dominated parts of Europe. Don't forget the same types sponsor the same type of legislation no matter where they happen to live.

HERBERT STICKEL, P. S.

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## Extends Thanks to St. Louis For Bowling Arrangements

**L. U. 212, CINCINNATI, OHIO**—First of all I wish to thank you, the officers and committee members of St. Louis Local No. 1 for your genuine hospitality and fine treatment accorded the various visiting locals who participated in the bowling tournament held in St. Louis in late March. Each and every member of Local 212—that is the bowlers and rooters—stated the trip and visit to St. Louis will long be remembered by all. I am sorry that illness at home prevented my going. Everyone hopes the bowling tournament next year at Chicago will be very well attended.

Here at home in Cincinnati, we are at this present writing getting our American Federation of Labor softball league ready for another season. By the time you Brothers here in the Queen City receive your June issue of the WORKER our team will be playing and trying to win that coveted cup. Now to do this, Brother members, they need and deserve real rooters to give them good moral and vocal support. So come on down to Deer Creek No. 5 on the scheduled nights and give your ball players who are your own local members your support. As to work in Cincinnati, we have some nice jobs rolling and have

had some good jobs straightened out by our versatile business manager, Harry Williams, who is ever and anon on his toes. Back your business manager and your officers to the best of your ability. They really do all they can for your benefit and mine. Don't forget that at any time! And while we are on the subject of officers, Local 212 will hold its biennial election this year on the last Monday in June. Remember, voting for your respective choice is your solemn duty as a member of an organization as big and as fine as our International Brotherhood of which our Local 212 has been a member for long and faithful years.

And now for a couple of notes of some new little arrivals at the homes of our various members.

Otto and Rosaline Hayes became proud parents on March 16, 1948 when Mrs. Hayes gave birth to a 6 lb. 10¼ oz. boy named Chester Alan Hayes. Hope he makes as good a baseball catcher as his pop.

The other visit from the stork was to Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Weisenborn with a 7 lb. 6 oz. girl named Carol Jean, who arrived in this world on April 25.

Congratulations to both of these fine young couples and may their little angels have a long healthy life. And oh yes, we must also congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Milton Weisenborn who became the proud grandparents of the last mentioned baby. Milton is one of the type of members who make you proud to be a member of Local 212. He was one of the first men your writer worked for and I can well remember how fair and square Milt always was. Those are the fine traditions your young members must carry on. Remember when you have a young fellow with you treat him as you want to be treated or would like to have your son treated.

Now one of those things that are not pleasant to write about, but which are a part of life. Business Manager Harry Williams and his wife Emma, lost their little granddaughter Barbara Jean (Bubbles) Macke when the little girl failed to rally from a tonsil operation. Barbara Jean was the daughter of Harry and Wilda Macke. (Harry Macke is Mrs. Williams' son.) Not only my personal

sympathies are extended but those of everyone of us who knew the parents. May the little one rest now and forever in peace.

I believe I shall ring off for this time and so till next time, I shall say au revoir.

212S NEWS HOUND  
E. M. SCHMITT, P. S.

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## Increase of 12½c in Effect On All Jobs at York, Pa.

**L. U. 229, YORK, PA.**—Hi to you and all fellow wire jerkers. The accompanying picture was taken at the site of the National Gypsum Lime Co., York, Pa. The occasion was the installation of the most modern 120-ton per hour rock crusher. These good looking card and clearance men are all from Local 229, York, excepting Lou Simon of L. U. 28, Baltimore (extreme right) serving as job superintendent for H. E. Crook and Co. Inc., Baltimore, Md.

Since May 1st, all jobs are paying an increase of 12½ cents per hour. After driving Joe Fink to work for one week Lou Wetzel bought a '44 Pontiac. Said John Baxley: "Why didn't he wait another week and buy a new car?"

Having finally convinced myself that spring is all the way round that corner, I laid my long woollens away in mothballs and I'm really feeling quite limbered up. But how could you feel any different while cleaning a house and digging a garden all at the same time. What we electricians need is a clause in our contract to give us better working conditions and protect our rights at home. With a little consideration I'm sure this idea can be developed. Let's hear from you.

STEWART HOLTZINGER, P. S.

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## Toledo Locals Hosts for Ohio Conference Meeting

**L. U. 245, TOLEDO, O.**—As was reported in the last issue, Locals 8, 245, and 1076 were hosts to the Ohio Conference, I. B. E. W., on April 3-4. Present were Gordon Freeman, vice-president, Fourth District, and many other members of the International staff

## Card and Clearance Men of Local 229, York, Pa.



Brothers of the local who worked on installation at the National Gypsum Lime Company, York. They installed 120-ton per hour rock crusher.



plus the delegates of all the Ohio locals affiliated with the conference. The conference met in the Hotel Secor and was entertained with a banquet and dance on Saturday evening.

Business meetings were held on both Saturday and Sunday with President John Briedenbaugh of Dayton, Ohio in the chair. The welcoming address was given by Oliver Myers, Toledo's member of the International Executive Council. As was natural at this time of the year and considering the present situation, politics, both state and national, were principal subjects for discussion. Local problems throughout the state were also discussed and the conference adjourned on Sunday afternoon. The Toledo locals sincerely hope the delegates had an enjoyable visit to Toledo.

At present the important business of Local 245 is the negotiation of the contract with The Toledo Edison Co. President Stephen LaPorte has named the following Brothers to serve with him on the committee, Oliver Myers, Vincent Wise, Fred Bratschi, Don Magley, Carl Adams, Leo Haas, and Julius Lederman. They will be assisted by Brother James Knight of the International Staff.

Along with the contract business the local has asked the N.L.R.B. to conduct a union shop election. This is to be held on May 6th and 10th. By the next issue we will have the results to report.

With an eye to the future Brother George Rogers is a very busy man these days. He has been appointed Grand Marshal for Local 245 in the Labor Day Parade. George said that if this year the local doesn't have the best parade and party it won't be because he didn't do his best. We believe him and know that with his spirit and leadership and a little cooperation from the rest of the Brothers our part of the parade will be a grand success.

PAUL SCHIEVER, P. S.

### Has No Regrets That Days Of Empires Are Fading

L. U. 309, EAST ST. LOUIS, ILL.—The days of empires are past. Thank God for that—God and Mahatma Gandhi. That era must have been necessary to the evolution of humanity or it would not have come to pass. The nightmare

is over; it is time to wake up. The old countries fought and murdered and assassinated in the name of empire and the glory thereof.

Belgium collected rubber and ivory drenched in human blood in Africa. Holland oppressed and enslaved masses to get the wealth of Indonesia. France committed atrocities in Indo-China for the same reason. England raped South Africa; introduced opium to China and compelled the Chinese to buy it. It kept India down by oppression and assassination; hanging Mohammedans with ropes that had been greased with lard, so that the wretches died impure terrible deaths according to Moslem religious dogma.

In 1917, General O'Dwyer butchered two thousand Hindus who had gathered in the mountains for religious festivities. Why? He said that the crowd was too peaceful and might have laughed at his purposeless display of armed forces.

The general died a few years ago in London, still a highly respected man, a glorious empire builder.

The empire was the greatest ever and English union men, in their mass meetings, remarked bitterly: "The sun never sets on the British Empire, but there are slums in London, in Liverpool and in Glasgow. There are slums in Edinburgh where the sun never rises."

Yes, slums so vast and of a kind so abject that only the pen of Jack London could describe them. He did that in his book, "The People of the Abyss."

The old countries had their day. There was much quarreling and war over the division of the loot. The big shots got the loot; the people fought the wars.

Periodically, Germany declared "Der Tag" has come and started a great war for the lion's share of the swag. Germany lost every attempt.

In India, a little man clad in a loin cloth, a little man, symbol of gentleness, gathered a great throng of his people and without firing a shot or throwing a stone, demolished all the empires.

The little man gave up his life for the cause. His spirit lives. His spirit leads the march of one and one half billion people, a march to freedom, to independence.

The French, the Dutch, the English and other empires are dying hard. Inspired by the dogmas of Hitler and armed with American guns, they are still shoot-

ing people down. Hitler is laughing now somewhere, laughing because he knows they will fail as miserably as he did. They have already failed. They die hard.

Under the Truman doctrine, we Pendergastise the elections in the old countries. Under the Marshall Plan we are going to water the tops. Pendergast came a cropper in Kansas City and in Greece. Watering the top was a dismal experiment here, during the depression.

Fifteen hundred million people could use the help and guidance we should offer them as one free people to another; and we both could become prosperous.

Let us not resort to violence; that will lead us only to perdition. There are only two countries left today. Two peoples with many common traits, two giants:

America in its prime; Russia just coming out of childhood.

A war between those two will be lost by both. When we stop throwing atoms, germs and other things at each other and the shouting dies down, those of us who are still here will know there was nothing to fight for. The spirit of the Mahatma will smile and say: "Der Tag will come no more."

Hitler in his cavern will laugh long and loud, knowing he has succeeded. It will not mean the end of civilization. It will only mean the end of Europe and America. The people of Gandhi will carry on civilization without our help, if they must.

RENE LAMBERT, P. S.

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### Enthusiasm Essential Factor For Victory at the Polls

L. U. 313, WILMINGTON, DEL.—At the time of this writing, we see too little enthusiasm towards the political needs of labor.

From William Green and Brother Tracy down through your local officers, we are urged to cast aside petty differences and promote labor's friends in our legislatures. Very good, but it's not enough.

Your committees for political education are busy canvassing the voting habits of members, reporting facts on the floor and getting in the newspapers, where possible. O. K., but it's not enough.

We are resolved to make sure we are registered and then vote for labor this November. Excellent, but still not enough.

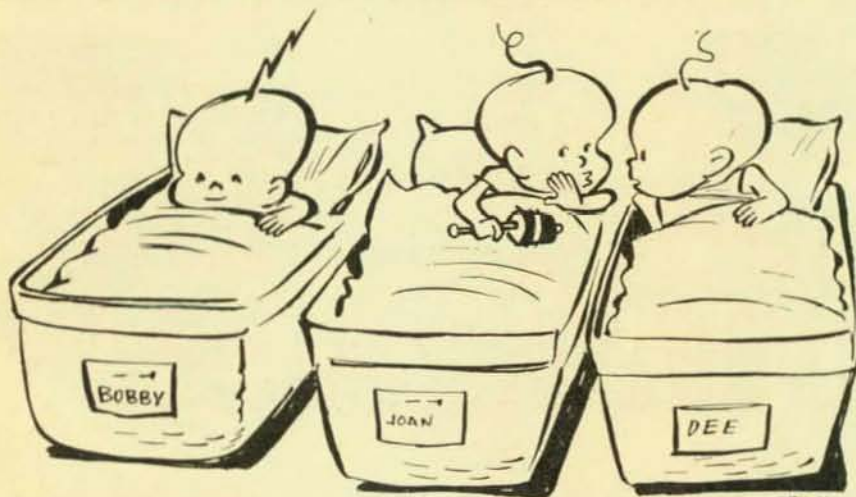
This is a job for every man who carries a ticket. Let's show enthusiasm. Talk it up to other craftsmen on the job, to friends, relatives and associates.

No one man or a thousand can do the job. It is ours—yours and mine. This is your chance to do something for organized labor. You who have cars, offer them and yourself to your committee, on registration days. You who do not have cars, tie in with someone who has a car. You can do a lot of good.

Some will say—"What's the use?" Others, will say—"It can't be done." But it can be done, because it must be done.

Organized labor and their families comprise nearly one-half of America's 90 million voters. Make your voice heard. 1948 is labor's year to register and vote.

RAY WALLS, P. S.



"His Father is an Electrical Worker."



## Union Folk in West Virginia

### Optimistic on Primaries

**L. U. 317, HUNTINGTON, WEST VA.**—Old man river has now eased down to its normal stage, after swelling up to 61 feet, or 11 feet over flood stage. Our city is fully protected by a 72-foot flood wall and no damage was done, but much damage was reported in some of our neighboring communities. Work progressed in the usual manner here in Huntington, but the flood effected some of our boys who do not live in the city.

The union men and women of this community are considerably pepped up over the coming primary elections May 11. A list of all candidates favoring union labor is being prepared for the benefit of organized labor. May 11 is to be recognized as a labor holiday by our local and every effort is being put forth to get 100 per cent turnout at the polls. Our local feels that the loss of time from work on primary day will be more than compensated for on election day, by placing on the ballot for the general elections, men who are for us 100 per cent.

I met an I. B. E. W. worker in one of our city shops a few days ago and presented him with a card bearing the name of a man favorable to organized labor and asked this man to vote for my candidate. To my surprise, he said that this particular candidate was not on his party side of the fence. I asked him for the name of his man on his party ticket and whether that man was favorable to labor. He said he did not know, and that the only thing he did know was that he was on his party platform. He later told me that he was not going to vote since he had not registered and he remarked that his vote would not mean anything anyway, since no matter who was elected, they were all crooks. These thoughts rather got under my skin and I let go with both barrels. I chided him for not knowing that as long as men kept that attitude and objectionable men were elected, they should blame no one but themselves.

Here was a man carrying a union card, enjoying the fruits of the efforts of tireless, real honest-to-goodness union men. And he was refusing to put forth the very small effort to register and vote for the very cause which enables him to have good wages and working conditions. It probably seems harsh, but personally I would favor a clause in our local constitution requiring one to register and vote before he could qualify for membership.

Our local is planning in May to have a great get-together to honor members who have been affiliated with Local 317 for five years or more. These persons will receive honorary medals. Some International Officers are invited and we are in hopes that they will be able to attend.

J. E. SMITH, P. S.

### Want to See the West?

#### Wyoming Needs Wiremen

**L. U. 322, CASPER, WYO.**—In our last article we introduced ourselves. This month we will partially cover the numerous jobs in our territory.

There are four large refineries, three

## New Hickey

A new hickey has been developed by the Boas Bender Company, of Southington, Conn. It is guaranteed not to slip and will bend a full 90° elbow without shifting the hickey. It bears a lifetime guarantee against breakage.



When you get used to using this hickey you will appreciate getting the right bend at the desired point. Half-inch Boas conduit-bending hickies sell for \$2.50 each; the ¾-inch for \$3.

The layout of a small pipe job follows the same rules laid down for big conduit in "Precision and Conduit Bending," by Juan Boas. This book is still available for \$1.50 at 2054 East 47th St., Brooklyn, N. Y. Juan Boas and Harry Boas, who is distributor of the new hickey, are both members of the I. B. E. W.

in the immediate vicinity of Casper, and two large dams, the Cartes and Boysden, estimated at three to four years' work, and a part of the large Missouri Valley Project.

There are also two, and soon to be three, large housing projects. Besides these, in the 12 counties which we protect, there are a large number of local shops, each in demand for good wiremen, especially those who would like to make theirs a permanent position.

We really can use wiremen in this part of the West. Besides lots of work, we offer real fishing and hunting as an added incentive.

So pack those wagons and start heading West, "Where men are men, and we sure need 'em."

DAVE WEISMAN, P. S.

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### Taft's Effort in Maine Seen Less Than Successful

**L. U. 333, PORTLAND, ME.**—Herculean efforts of Senator Owen Brewster to win support for Senator Robert A. Taft (one of the authors of the slave labor Taft-Hartley Law) failed miserably at the Republican Convention of Maine in Portland when he virtually failed to win any support from the 13 delegates to the national convention. Taft's downfall in Maine commenced on his visit to Maine with Senator Brewster, when labor snubbed him. He must have felt like the bride-to-be who was left waiting at the church when scheduled meetings with Maine labor at Portland, Augusta and Bangor failed to materialize, not because Taft and Brewster were not present but because representatives of the A. F. of L.,

CIO, and R. R. Brotherhoods were conspicuous by their absence except the lone representative (who must have felt very lonely) who had no place else to go and showed up at the Augusta meeting. The sixty-four dollar question on this one was, who was he? Word reached Portland just prior to the convention that the boys from northern Maine were coming to Portland to put Taft across. Evidently they failed to believe that Stassen was the number-one man in most Presidential decisions in Maine, among Republicans. Somebody's been giving somebody the wrong numbers.

Stassen is regarded as a progressive liberal among the Republicans of Maine and it looks mighty like the old guard conservatives and reactionaries are due for some more surprises.

What makes Taft so unpopular with Maine? Of course we expect labor to oppose him not only because he helped write the slave labor law but his advice and statements on other matters have a disturbing effect; his devotion to isolationism when the world was threatened by Hitler; his insistence that the course of the United States should be to sit tight behind its oceans and let fascism triumph. A portion of the record reveals on April 14, 1940, that Senator Taft said "I am opposed to Selective Service because in my opinion no necessity exists requiring such drastic action."

February 16, 1941: "It is simply fantastic to suppose there is any danger of an attack on the United States by Japan."

February 22, 1941: "An invasion of the United States by the German Army is as fantastic as would be an invasion of Germany by an American Army, and as unlikely to be undertaken."

August 1, 1941: "My opinion is that the situation today looks infinitely safer. I cannot understand the statement that the situation is more perilous today than a year ago."

Sept. 22, 1941: "There is much less danger to this country than there was two years ago." Well, we all remember Pearl Harbor.

Not being able to sense the world situation Senator Taft voted against conscription, lend-lease, the transfer of 50 destroyers to Great Britain; voted in 1941 against extension of the draft; against allowing American ships to enter combat zones. We cannot for the safety of America trust such a man in the White House.

He voted against joining the United Nations (one of seven Senators). He voted against the British Loan and the confirmation of Henry Stimson as Secretary of War because, as he said, Stimson was an interventionist.

This is the same man who told us to eat less to lower the cost of living, who also told us that prices would go down as soon as price controls were lifted. Prices are still going up and we are eating less because we cannot afford the prices. We are wearing less because prices of clothing are beyond reach for the average man to properly clothe and feed his family. Maine citizens are wondering why Senator Brewster is supporting such a candidate for the Presidency. Certainly the citizens of Maine are not in accord.

H. E. HOWE, President.



## Canadian Employers Hire Economist to Square Them

**L. U. 353, TORONTO, ONTARIO, CANADA.**—Some of the Building Trades are experiencing a bit of trouble convincing their employers that substantial increases should be granted this year, as the Builders Exchange, which is the employers union and represents the employers who hire the majority of building trade union members in the district, are agreed among themselves to a limit over which they will not go, in the way of wage increases this year.

The employers went to the University of Toronto and hired an economist to draw up a set of figures showing what the increase in the cost of living has been and what increases in wages have been gained since 1939. The year 1939 was chosen because the Dominion Bureau of Statistics has used that year for comparing cost of living increases and states the cost of living now stands 50 per cent above what it was in 1939. This was the information given to the employers by the economist, and as far as can be learned that is all the information he did give them. The employers should know whether their money was well spent or not, but this same information is published periodically, and can be had for the price of a newspaper.

However the employers have agreed among themselves to offer the employees wages equivalent to 50 per cent more than 1939 wages, plus a further 15 per cent increase over 1939 wages to compensate for any cost of living increases in the next 12 months, making a total of 65 per cent above the 1939 level of wages. This amounts to freezing our living standards at the 1939 level which was a depression year and is not a very good year from labor's viewpoint to take as an example of desirable living standards.

Several trades have already been receiving wages equivalent to 65 per cent more than their 1939 wages, and they have not been offered any increase, while others have been offered only a few cents, while still others have been offered wage increases that are satisfactory to them and have accepted these offers. The Bricklayers have asked for a 30-cent increase and have been offered only 5 cents, and it is expected they will be going out on strike on May 1 when their agreement terminates. The Plasterers have asked for a 20-cent increase and have been offered nothing, and have been on strike since April 1. The Lathers asked 20 cents and have been offered no increase and have been on strike since April 21. These strikes may last indefinitely as both sides seem to be determined not to give in, and it will eventually affect other trades, so that we expect to have an out-of-work list for a while, something that we have not had for several years.

There are some who believe there should be a general strike in sympathy with these trades who are in difficulties, but there is little chance of that. Early this year the Building Trades Council called a special summoned meeting to discuss the possibility of setting wage increases for affiliated trades and taking joint action in negotiating these increases and with the idea of all trades supporting each other in these demands. The meeting turned out to be a flop, as some of the trades were so little interested that

## Testimonial to Louisville Local



The Board of Governors  
of Kosair Crippled Children Hospital  
presents this testimonial to  
**INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF ELECTRICAL WORKERS**  
**LOCAL No. 369**  
in recognition of their interest, personal effort  
and whole-hearted support of the  
Hospital's activities.

*Wm. H. H. H. H.*  
President

*J. S. H. H.*  
Secretary

*The Kosair Crippled Children Hospital at Louisville, Ky., awarded this scroll to L. U. No. 369 for its generous aid in the fight on poliomyelitis.*

they would not even bother to send representatives to this meeting, and it seemed that the ones that thought they could do better by going it alone were against any cooperative action, while the ones who might benefit most were naturally all for it. Anyway nothing came of it and now it seems that those who were willing to cooperate have made satisfactory settlements with their employers, and the ones who declined to take cooperative action are having difficulties and are now wanting to know what the other trades will do to help them settle their disputes.

It is not reasonable to ask a trade that has settled its own troubles unaided, to come out on strike to support a trade that previously refused to take cooperative action. All trades are agreed, however, not to work on any job where non-union tradesmen are brought in to replace striking union men, nor will they work on any job where lockouts are instituted by the employers against any particular trade. The Building Trades Council has decided to hire the services of an expert on economy to show why the building trades are justified in asking for substantial increases, based upon the rising cost of living. The idea of that is to counteract the claims made by the employers based on advice given to them by the economist they hired, and it is not the intention of the organized trades to freeze living standards to any standards set in previous years, but to improve the living standards of members whenever possible, and that is why we are organized, and not to tie our wages to figures set by a government bureau, whose figures are usually based on bare existence levels.

As was generally expected the Conservative government of Ontario is going to have an election and the date is set for June 7, 1948, and it is almost certain that the Conservatives will go back in, probably stronger than ever, even though

they have done nothing. That is a misstatement though, as they have flooded the city of Toronto with immigrants most of whom seem to be electricians, but have done nothing about relieving the housing shortage, which has been very acute for several years and which they promised to rectify during the last election campaign, and they have sold more liquor and beer for the distillers and brewers than was ever thought possible. So it is hardly fair to say they have done nothing. I know this is going to irk our wealthy Conservative members of the local union when they read this, but it is not written with the intention of influencing anyone to vote against the Conservatives (or for them), as I am well aware that this will not be delivered to our members until after June 7, and by that time the election will be over and Mr. Drew will be free to sell more liquor and beer and to further his plans for becoming the leader of the Federal Conservative Party, so there is no reason for the aforementioned wealthy Conservative members of the local union to be offended.

W. FARQUHAR, P. S.

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## Louisville Local Wages Successful War on Polio

**L. U. 369, LOUISVILLE, KY.**—We of Local Union No. 369 have always read THE ELECTRICAL WORKERS' JOURNAL with genuine interest, and know it is a source of pride to the members of our craft. Not only does it give them news of other locals and other members, but the articles are stimulating and tend to keep the membership informed of what is going on in our particular world.

This organization has recently had a very fine tribute paid to its membership which we believe will be of interest to all I. B. E. W. members. For a number of years we have given support, both



personal and financial, to the Kosair Crippled Children Hospital. Naturally we have supported all worthwhile causes, and incidentally I should like to say that I know of no groups who have contributed so consistently and generously as those of organized labor. However, the splendid fight which has been waged against infantile paralysis appealed to us particularly and we decided some time ago that we would, so to speak, "adopt" this fight as our own. I believe I can say that literally hundreds of hours have been donated by our members to the interests of the Kosair Hospital. At Christmas time dozens of electricians give their Sundays to decorating and beautifying the hospital grounds. This hospital has a yearly picnic which draws tremendous support from this community. Our men work indefatigably before this event and during it. These are only specific instances. Throughout the year we are available at any time our help is needed.

Recently because of the interest we have taken in this hospital over a period of time, Local Union No. 369 received a citation which was singularly gratifying to us, as it is only one of two such honors which have been bestowed in this community. It was presented to us at a recent regular meeting by the President of the Kosair Hospital Association who paid sincere tribute to the work this local union has done. We are extremely proud of this distinction and felt other members of our craft would enjoy knowing of it through the WORKER.

We should also like at this time to send warm greetings to the thousands of members who worked so magnificently on war production in this jurisdiction—helping to pile up the impressive record labor made in furnishing arms for our fight against totalitarianism.

H. H. HUDSON, B. M.

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## It Wasn't the Wiring That Was Defective, But—

**L. U. 390, PORT ARTHUR, TEX.**—Brother Joe A. Verret, electrical inspector for the city, got a phone call from a lady who reported she had just moved into a new house, and thought the wiring was defective and burning up in the attic, and would he hurry out. Joe rushed out and found the lady had unplugged her refrigerator and other appliances and she showed him into the pantry where a large amount of light was coming in through the ceiling wall paper. Joe got up in the attic and found the source of light was the sun shining through a big hole in the cornice. The lady asked Joe not to say anything about it "because her husband is an electrician," so Joe isn't mentioning any names.

L. U. 390's treasurer, E. C. Vickers, who is also a vice president in the Texas State Federation of Electrical Workers, was called to Dallas for a meeting of the vice presidents of the federation. The meeting was concurrent with the NECA-I. B. E. W. annual meeting. Joe A. Verret, E. B. Black and E. E. Davis were delegates to the latter meeting and all reported a constructive and amicable business session. They enjoyed seeing Dan Tracy, Scott Milne and Lawson Wimberly from the I. O., and repeated to us Tracy's remarks about the Dallas banker and a Dallas utility company manager

being present at the meeting and having good words to say about union men. The delegates and their wives were well entertained by the NECA and the Dallas I. B. E. W.; they were glowing in their praise of the hospitality they received. Also Mrs. Joe A. Verret and Mrs. E. C. Vickers drew winning numbers, receiving traveling irons as prizes.

D. W. Benthall, Jr., chairman of L. U. 390's fact-finding wage, policy, and contract negotiating committee, and his committee are hard at work trying to get our boys more money. After a lot of hard work and reversals, they signed a contract wherein our construction men get \$2.12½ now and on July 1, it is to be raised to \$2.25. Subsequently they found that Houston and Galveston I. B. E. W. locals had signed the contractors up for \$2.37½. Benthall and his committee are going to Galveston to meet with their I. B. E. W. Executive Board May 7 and find out how they did it and try to work out a deal for a little closer cooperation and information exchanging with other I. B. E. W. locals within a 100-mile radius.

A. J. Stevens, L. U. 390's recording secretary and president of the Port Arthur Central Trades and Labor Council, is hard at work on both these jobs, also on our Labor's Political and Educational League.

William P. Noack and his committee are working on a new set of by-laws for L. U. 390 and report good progress. Jack Taylor, chairman of the auditing committee, reports his committee found 390's books in good condition and in balance for the first quarter with E. B. Black, L. U. 390's new business manager keeping things shipshape. E. B. Black reports, "No comments for publication at this time." J. A. "PeeWee" Hoffpauir tells us that our L. U. 390 sponsored women's bowling team is in Dallas bowling in the national tournament of the Women's International Bowling Congress, after win-

## A Real Friend

The White Manufacturing Company, 3802 Poe Street, Dallas 4, Tex., calls this new tool the "electrician's real friend." Manufactured by the Dallas firm, the tool is the L. G. W.



Angle Locknut Pliers, which will tighten locknuts and bushings in switch boxes, outlet boxes, utility boxes, panel boxes and junction boxes, assuring a permanent grounding system. It will remove sharp edges and burrs from the inside or outside ends of conduit or steel tube. It will cut wire and skin rubber-covered wire without damage to the wire. The list price for the "Electrician's Real Friend" is \$3.85.

ing all local titles, including the City League and the Classic League tournaments.

Let's remember that a leading industrialist recently said that "Labor has 80 per cent of the votes but only 20 per cent of the brains." Let's enough of us go to the polls and vote RIGHT, and see if we can't raise that 20 per cent brain deal at least a little.

C. REVERE SMITH, P. S.

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## Waterbury Now Negotiating For This Year's Contract

**L. U. 420, WATERBURY, CONN.**—As we have already opened negotiations for this year's contract, we are now in the midst of settling down to solve the vital issues confronting us. We hope for a happy solution as the heavy toil rests with our eminent leaders, Frank Scully and Frank O'Brien; linked with the efforts of our International Representative Walt Kenefick.

We are indeed pleasantly surprised to note that the JOURNAL is coming out quite early, especially as compared with some months past.

Our most recent sick list tells us that Brothers E. Elsdon, H. Shackley, J. Halin, H. Desmeroux, L. Mullen, R. Hale and Ted Schroeder have been hobnobbing with the doctor. Oh yes, "Dutch" Kunkel is also to be included, as well as our President Walt Wright. We are wishing them all a speedy recovery. Bill Branch lost his father a few weeks ago, we sadly relate. He had rounded out a lengthy and useful life. Bill and his family have our deepest sympathy.

We like your "I. B. E. W. Men at Work." Keep them coming. We also note that the eminent industrialist, Robert McChesney, is again in the news. Keep him coming, too. Have not had the time yet to digest the famous writers of Local Lines, but assure you that within a short space of time will endeavor to do so.

ALBERT F. DOUGHTY, P. S.

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## Arkansas Local Gives Prizes at Bingo Party

**L. U. 436, EL DORADO, ARK.**—Has anyone ever heard of Local Union No. 436? If not, this is an introduction to a local union that is coming up in this world. It is only 10 years old but our President, Brother Eurville Baker and other officers are on the beam and bringing this local union into the limelight. There are 19 chartered members and at present 195 members.

On March 27 the local gave a bingo party with members and eligible members invited. Our International vice president of the 12th District, Brother W. B. Petty, and International Representative, M. C. McCann, gave very good talks for the good of the members and eligible members. Afterwards all enjoyed refreshments and several nice electrical appliances were given as bingo gifts.

At present, the work is slackening up and will be for a few months.

This is enough imposing upon the membership by a new press secretary.

A. A. GORDY, JR., P. S.



## Utility Linemen Win \$1.83 At San Diego, California

**L. U. 465, SAN DIEGO, CALIF.**—Local Union 465 settled the wage agreement for the employees of the San Diego Gas and Electric Company last month after reaching the final stages of arbitration. The new scale for journeymen linemen is now \$1.83 for the utility and \$2.25 for the men working on outside construction. At the present time we are having a little difficulty in agreeing on a bona fide reporting place schedule for our crews on construction work. Our efforts in avoiding a tool box shop has struck a snag but it is needless to say that the members working in this jurisdiction are not going to sit idly by and allow the condition to get out of control or beyond legitimate reason.

Our present wage agreement on contract jobs expires soon when we expect to go into negotiations for a new scale for the ensuing year. I am happy to say our labor-management relationship is fairly healthy and all contractors are paying into the National Electrical Benefit Fund.

The local is bustling with activity these days. Our annual party is the event scheduled. L. H. Decker is chairman of the committee and his fellow members of the Executive Board are assisting him as the balance of the committee.

The Ladies' Auxiliary is having a very friendly get-together once a month under the guidance of its president, Mrs. J. B. Laing. The monthly dance and box social gives our members from all groups a chance to meet and get acquainted.

The local is sponsoring two bowling teams in the Federated Trades Bowling League this year. W. C. Casey, line foreman, is the chairman of the group and will give the boys something to shoot at as Carl has a pretty good average himself.

President Walt Hayward, Vice President Charles Bartlett, Treasurer Bill Herringer, and Secretary Howard Likes are the officers of Local Union No. 465. Our Business Manager Dex Jewett, says our financial report shows this to be the best year the local has ever had which makes us all quite proud of our officers. If the number of people calling at the office to register for the coming election and the enthusiasm shown among the members is any indication, we should have an overwhelming turn-out at the polls this year. Register and vote is the watchword at all our meetings and it is gratifying to note in the JOURNAL that the same enthusiasm is being shown in locals throughout the nation.

President Tracy's views on "How State Legislation Affects Labor" should be a hint to all of us on the importance of labor's representation at the polls this year and every election, especially those that affect our local government.

The reason for working carefully on

a pole and going to the polls to vote can be given in the same words "self-preservation."

LES. BENSON, P. S.

## Memphis Sets Building Permit Record in 1947 With 11,351

**L. U. 474, MEMPHIS, TENN.**—Any way you look at it, except the money, the working man has saved. Memphis had the biggest year in its history in 1947.

There are a pack of bank figures available to prove this. As I stated they belong to the grocery, department store, etc.

Here is something we are vitally interested in. An all-time record was set for building in the City of Memphis in 1947, with the issuance of 11,351 building permits. More than 4,000 of these were homes for G. I.'s, 160 apartments. There were scores of factories and warehouses.

We have kept all of the work well in hand, with a bit of overtime.

This does not indicate we are in want of more help, nor that there is an apartment available.

For the edification of those Brothers who have been away for a while, may I state that the utility boys have a charter, also the National Battery is affiliated with the I. B. E. W.

Some say we have a good school under the guidance of Brothers F. F. Walker, Guy Gattis and E. B. Grunnet of Little Rock, Ark. J. R. DAZEY, P. S.

## Good Fellowship Marks Annual Bowling Tournaments

**L. U. 494, MILWAUKEE, WIS.**—It becomes my duty as well as a pleasure to comment on the bowling tournament, held in St. Louis on March 27 and 28. We, of Local Union No. 494 want to thank Local Union No. 1 for a job well done.

It was our privilege to again meet members from locals all over the country, who in our opinion displayed good fellowship and sportsmanship. These annual tournaments bring us closer and give us a chance to exchange views on our common problems.

This annual tournament was started four years ago, when only St. Louis and Milwaukee participated, and each local set up the teams that bowled in their respective cities. The scores were relayed by wire. The next tournament was held in Milwaukee, where many cities were represented. The following year Detroit was the host, and this year, St. Louis. The number of locals that will bowl in Chicago, I am certain, will amaze all of us.

In closing, we again want to thank Frank Jacobs, the International Vice President for the 11th District, and his staff of untiring and diligent workers for a splendid time, and we hope that sometime in the future, we will have the opportunity to reciprocate.

HENRY BOSSHARD, P. S.

## Banquet Planned in Mobile To Honor the Old Timers

**L. U. 505, MOBILE, ALA.**—Just a little note from a local that is seldom mentioned in your pages. So I must ask you to give us a small portion for a little news from down this way.

We are laying plans for a grand and gala occasion to honor our members for their services to God, man and country under the banner of Local Union 505.

We are going to honor members of five years' membership and over, by presenting to them membership buttons, for their years of service to the trade under the Brotherhood banner. Brothers with five years of uninterrupted membership will receive five-year lapel buttons, 10 years will receive a 10-year button, and on up the ladder until the oldest Brother in the local is so honored.

This occasion will be celebrated on Saturday night, May 15th, at the Admiral Semmes Hotel, Mobile's leading hostelry. The date Saturday night was taken to accommodate the marine branch of the local which has a night shift at the local shipyards.

Each member is allowed two guests and himself. The reason for the limit on the affair is that the membership is so large and that spacing is so limited for such a gathering that some method of accommodating the crowd had to be worked out. And the limit of two guests and himself per member was accepted by the committee as the method to use. The committee is very sorry that this had to be done. But there was nothing else they could do under the circumstances.

There will be a banquet to start off the entertainment, climaxed by the presenting of the buttons. Time will be so limited that such things as speakers will be curtailed to a minimum, which I feel will be to the satisfaction of all. As you know in a gathering of electricians, they like their fun, and listening to speeches isn't a part of it. That is something that can be put off until more solemn occasions. Dancing will be on the program.

It is so seldom that we "males" invite our ladies to partake of our hospitality, that we are going all out, to make this occasion one they will enjoy and long remember. As I have said, we often neglect the "fairer" sex when we lay plans for a little get-together—always thinking of our own convenience and entertainment. But this time we are going to show our better self, and each and every member is going to be a committee of one, to see to it that every invited guest, has the time of her life. And with the cooperation of all, it will be a gala success.

Our guest list is not yet complete, therefore I cannot comment on it until a future date.

We anticipate extending our invitations to include our local contractors, and their ladies, be they wives or sweethearts, to come along and help us enjoy this celebration and also out-of-town superintendents, among us at this time, will be asked to join in the fun, and any other guests that the committee sees fit to include.

The members of this committee are: Brothers E. C. Dierlein, chairman; Elmer Stover of the marine branch of the local; and the undersigned.

PERCY E. JOHNSON, P. S.

## Montreal Local Elects Convention Delegates

**L. U. 561, MONTREAL, QUEBEC, CANADA.**—It may seem strange to some of you members, who take time to read this column, how the items are somewhat

## Correction

In the April issue of the JOURNAL we published a picture of an FM radio tower erected by members of L. U. 18, Los Angeles. The tower is 750 feet high, not 75 feet, as published.



late, so a line or two of explanation would be in order. These writings must be in headquarters, Washington, D. C., by May 1st so that you can read them around June 15th—six weeks in advance, so please don't be too quick to condemn these writings, for it is hard to try and foresee interesting items almost two months in advance.

By the time this letter is read, this local will have elected its delegates to our International Convention. I take this opportunity to appeal to all the members, to support whoever are elected as your representatives. Help them by supplying them with good constructive ideas and suggestions, so as not have them go to conventions representing the largest railroad local in Canada with nothing but their own individual ideas, for after all, they are representing this local and therefore, should be under instructions from this local. So let's help them.

A second appeal, and a most sincere appeal from an individual member, to all members of this local. Please take a more interested and active part in the affairs of your local, for as you all know, the world and even more so, the labor ranks, are in a turmoil, the world over. There are all the various subversive elements in the labor ranks, Fifth Columnists, Communists, Defeatists, Alarmists, etc. All have their own way of working to obtain their object. One way of helping them to success, is by your own lack of interest. They make a sincere effort to put their end over, so we must make a sincere effort also, to help keep our own liberty. So please wake up members, before it is too late, for never be surprised, if you find some day, you are in the soup too.

We have a certain element in our local, that, to my way of thinking, is deplorable, for I have had an experience this past week at a certain meeting (some members will recall what meeting I refer to) when I was very much in the minority. After the meeting I asked a member a question. After he commented on my behavior at the said meeting, his reply to my question was, he was in the groove and he voted with the majority. There is a very unpleasant name to call members, who are afraid to be any other way, than with the majority. I say, any one who calls himself a man, stand up and be counted. If you are right others will learn from you, if you should be wrong, then let the others show you where you are wrong, for it is by our mistakes that we learn. So come on members and take an active part in YOUR union.

Again the monthly meeting of this local is the second Tuesday of each month. Flash! The board has recommended seven cents increase, as of April 8th. What a break they think they are giving us. They are asking that we make a sacrifice to help maintain economic stability and retard inflation. Are we honored because we are railroad workers?

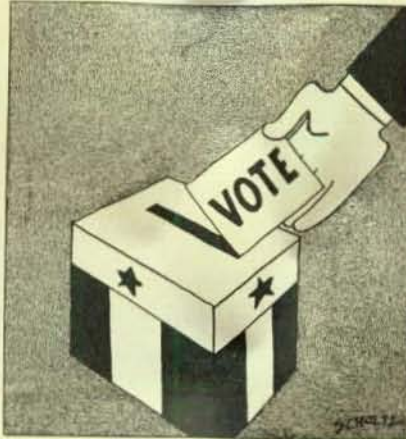
E. J. O'DOHERTY, P. S.

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### Wallace Candidacy Viewed As a Threat to Truman

L. U. 595, OAKLAND, CALIF.—The primary election in California is in June. In Alameda County we have a Congressman who voted for the Taft-Hartley Law:

## Baltimore Brother Has Political Pen



These political cartoons are from the pen of Irwin Carl Scholtz, of Local Union 28, Baltimore.

he must be replaced with a man of more liberal views. We refer to the incumbent, Congressman Allen of the 7th District. All sections of labor are united behind his opponent, Dr. Brell Gallagher, a man with a progressive background who is pledged to the repeal of the Taft-Hartley Law. In the 6th District the incumbent, Congressman George P. Miller, has a 100 per cent record on all labor and progressive measures coming before Congress and he should be reelected.

As this is written, the deadline for registration nears and labor in this area has carried on a fine campaign for registration. Local No. 595 should be proud of its part in the campaign and our Legislative Committee deserves the thanks of all members for its faithful service.

The recent election in the Bronx district of New York where Leo Isaacson, backed by Henry Wallace and the Progressive Party, was elected by a sweeping majority, is of special significance in the political picture as it appears today.

Isaacson polled 55.9 per cent of all votes cast and the Democratic candidate 31 per cent while the Republican candidate polled only 3.6 per cent. The district in which the election was held has a large labor vote and both the A. F. of L. and the C.I.O. carried on a spirited campaign on behalf of the Democrat, yet the labor vote went almost solid for the Wallace-backed candidate. This district has been a Democratic stronghold for years and the defeat of the Democrat's candidate was a major one for them. In this Presidential election year, the result of this election has a special meaning. Since the death of Franklin D. Roosevelt, the Democratic party has steadily decayed until it is no longer the party of the people. Take note of the Wall Street appointments to the Cabinet by President Truman and the many military appointments to key civilian positions.

If the Democratic party does not have as its candidate for President a man with the leadership and vision of our late President Roosevelt, it will go down to crushing defeat. The Democrats must also have a program of real progress for the people or the major part of the labor vote will go to Henry Wallace.

J. B. SPANGLER, P. S.

### Influence of Military Men In Washington Decried

L. U. 611, ALBUQUERQUE, N. MEX.—Since laboring men furnish the greater part of the "blood, sweat, and tears" and money to carry on the wars, they should be thoroughly alarmed at the encroachment of the military influence in Washington. Military men are being appointed to nearly all important positions in our government. They not only act as advisers in making our foreign policy, but they also practically have control of the office of Defense Secretary Forrestal. They are gaining entirely too much influence with the press and radio for the good of the country.

Nearly everything we see or hear that is agitating for another war is quoted from some admiral or general. These men know little of diplomacy, compromise, or the art of negotiation—things we must all do whether individuals or nations in order to be fair and to get along together. The training of military men is in discipline and force. They seem to be so flushed with victory and enthusiastic with their recent attainments that they want to go on to greater heights. Their demands upon the government for more and more money are fantastic and as unreasonable as the excuse they have for wanting it. History shows that when a country falls into the hands of its militarists it is headed for trouble.

According to our system of government the military is supposed to take orders from the civilian authorities. When the military gets into the position of making the orders, we are getting entirely too close to the kind of dictatorship we are opposing in other countries.

Until the time comes when the world is sufficiently civilized to have a world tribunal, world court and world police force, and the threat of war is a thing of past dark ages, it will be wise to do whatever is necessary for our protection, but nothing to compare to the billions now being spent.

JAMES MERRIFIELD, P. S.



## Atlanta Local Keeps Pace With Growth in That Area

**L. U. 613, ATLANTA, GA.**—When our genial President, H. M. Carver, announced my appointment as Press Secretary of Local Union No. 613, down here in Atlanta, it was with some misgivings that I accepted. Now, after having read ALL of Local Lines in the latest issue of the JOURNAL, I'm more convinced than ever that he has hitched a 40-dollar mule to a two-horse plow. How did all those fine reporters and editorial writers get into the electrical business anyhow?

Since 613 has been out of the news for some time, I'll just tighten up the traces kind of easy like and submit a few items of general information.

We have seen rapid growth since pre-war years, keeping pace with industrial expansion in the Greater Atlanta area. Our 700 construction men and 600 manufacturing and shop workers had full employment last year. The 1948 program promises to be just as good. Contracts have been negotiated with more than 30 contractors, seven manufacturing plants and shops and eight neon sign companies. Our branch local at Rome is overcoming some tough opposition in north Georgia. A 20-cent increase brought our journeymen scale up to \$2.00 last year.

A paragraph mentioning our very able officers should be easy. President Carver has one of those antique union cards dating way back. He's a dynamic gavel pounder. In Brother E. W. Collier, we have a business manager born for the job. He was nominated without opposition last June for his third consecutive term. His creed expresses in a few words the aims and purposes of unionism; "A fair day's pay for an honest day's work." He recently acquired as assistant business manager, "Smiling" Bob Shadix, who came to us from up Knoxville way. Bob just grinned himself into that job. Brother Henry Barber, our financial secretary, has another of those moss-grown cards. He always wonders, while writing those \$3.50 receipts why we can't pay a whole quarter's dues out of some of that overtime money, and save him from writer's cramp. Brother Walt Richardson usually makes the Brothers repeat their motions on the floor so he can get them in the minutes correctly—a very competent recording secretary. Brothers C. E. Latham, Paul Howell, H. J. McMullins, M. T. Stephens, A. G. Hendricks, and W. S. Guffin, comprise that group, who, with no remuneration, small thanks, and considerable undeserved cussing, give their time, thoughts and energies as Executive Board members. Brother H. T. Durand, assistant business manager, is doing a wonderful job for the manufacturing and repair shops. Brother W. O. Torbett is custodian of our finances and has enough War Bonds stashed away to weather any storm the Republicans can blow our way. "Professors" Ed McGehee and N. H. Nielsen are running our Veterans' Apprentice school in real collegiate style.

We are sorry we can't invite some of you boomers to work with us while the dogwood and azaleas are in bloom. A good many of us have hit the bench for short periods due to so much bad weather holding the big jobs in the ground.

There'll be plenty of jobs by the time peaches and watermelons are ripe.

If you ever see this in print, you will know I haven't been consigned to the glue factory. Next time I'll see how the plow pulls in new ground. May turn a furrow in politics or report on our "old folks party" which is planned for the near future.

Press Secretary.

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## Takes Very Dim View of State of the Nation

**L. U. 654, CHESTER, PA.**—It will be well for the common man and woman who will vote in the forthcoming elections to give serious thought and consideration as to who shall receive their support.

In the world of chaos existing since the early days of Hitler and Mussolini, we at home have lost sight of the chaotic state of affairs existing in our own country. Whether we have realized so or not, the fact remains that our economic structure has gotten so out of line, that it bears little resemblance to anything equitable.

Racketeering, black marketing, gray marketing and all other despicable systems of doing business under the table, have replaced honesty and fair dealing; in many cases, greed and misrepresentation are the merchant and manufacturers chief stock in trade. "All the freight will bear," has become the motto of many manufacturers and shopkeepers.

In general, our present lawmakers and law enforcers are not even doing a good job of running around in circles. We have failed miserably in all our international undertakings, and we have failed miserably in keeping our house in order here at home. To a great extent, the record of profiteering, bribery and chicanery during the war is a great blot on our history; the statesman and diplomat have been replaced by the carpet-bagger and court jester.

The cost of living is so far out of line that even the middle class find it hard to meet their obligations. The average wage earner cannot afford necessities, let alone any form of luxury.

Laws are passed that take from the workers many hard-earned benefits, fought for down through the years. A scratch of the pen in Washington brings hardship and misery to thousands and thousands throughout the nation.

Just how long the above conditions continue, depends on just how long the American worker allows them to continue. There is one sure way of correcting our legislative and law enforcement ills. That one sure way is for the workers to band together as one in a determined effort to rid public offices of crooks, reactionaries, misfits and opportunists, regardless of their political affiliations.

If the workers expect to receive a fair deal in the political arena, they will never receive it by wishful thinking or expecting. It can only be accomplished by a united front at the polls.

J. A. DOUGHERTY, P. S.

## ERP Fights Commies Abroad, T-H Encourages 'Em Here

**L. U. 664, NEW YORK, N. Y.**—Six billion dollars is to be spent in Europe to prevent the spread of communism. This, it is hoped, will prevent the increase of the number of Communists a la European. This measure has been passed by the United States Congress. Amen and no kick. Many of the members of the same United States Congress voted in favor of and caused to be passed a law designed to hamstring labor. This law denied to labor the right of free speech, free press, peaceful assemblage (that part has already been knocked into a cocked hat by court decision).

The law denies to labor the right to ask pay worthy of its hire and many other fundamental and inalienable American rights guaranteed by the Constitution and the Bill of Rights.

They don't want an increase of European commies; but they seem content to create commies American. Who are these Congressmen and Senators who voted for T-H? Remember them with the same intensity and "vividity" as you would a plague. Use the vaccine of prevention on them on election day. Register or you can't vote; you cannot express your opinion.

J. C. TOOMEY, P. S.

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## Springfield Meetings Are Reported Well Attended

**L. U. 669, SPRINGFIELD, OHIO.**—Hello everybody! Yep, we are still on the map and feel we will continue to be there, even if it is tough going in many cases due to several forms of legislation in the picture. Our meetings are being well attended, which is very important.

I am still enjoying the pleasure of a fracture bed in the City Hospital here, but the boys keep me well informed about conditions on the outside. I am slowly improving and sincerely wish that any other brother, anywhere who may be laid up, is also improving and will soon be back in the harness again.

Please note—Business Manager "Big" Jim Williams, reports an excessive number of requests for placement in this territory. It is a little early for him to definitely estimate the number of men needed. No doubt everyone welcomes the coming of spring and the usual bustle of increased activity. All of our members are busy, although prospects of material supplies are very uncertain. I am sure we all hope this condition will improve.

Remember, everyone, this is election year. Register and vote for men whom you know are in sympathy with our cause and not merely for job-seekers who, after election, reverse their pre-election promises and sell us down the river. It is the duty of every member to support the local union officers, particularly the business manager. His job is no bed of roses today. He is, when on the job, a target from many directions and from unseen foes, so give these men your whole support. If you do not, then many of their efforts will be in vain. I hope this little warning will cause you to arise and act.

UNCLE WALT, P. S.



## Columbus Brother Retires After Faithful Service

**L. U. 683, COLUMBUS, OHIO**—After some well-deserved criticism and ribbing for not having contributed to this page for several months, here we are again.

Few, if any of our members are out of work, and it would seem there will be plenty of work for some time to come.

Brother John Thornton who has served L. U. 683 so long and faithfully, has taken out withdrawal and retirement. Jack's years of experience, untiring devotion to his duties as president stand out as a record of which any man could be proud. His activities will be sorely missed, but we all hope that when he can find it possible he will attend a meeting.

The regular nomination and election of officers will soon confront us, and it is hoped that each and every member will, first of all, attend the meetings at which these nominations and elections are held. Vote for those candidates whose experience and records make them worthy. Bear in mind these jobs are not soft swivel-chair assignments and those who are chosen must be willing to devote a lot of their time to do the job for you and do it right. Vote for that type and not for some Brother whom you know as a jolly good fellow, a "booze" pal or just because he is key man or boss for some contractor.

Try to remember this is your organization. Don't just take it for granted. Get behind it, read your Constitution and By-Laws and abide by them till it hurts. Also read your WORKER. You will find it interesting and educational.

It is the hope of this poor scribe that this letter will be published before the nominations in June, as I feel that perhaps what I have said will reach more of the local members through this page than would be possible at any one of the regular meetings.

I want to take this opportunity to extend my appreciation to the staff of the WORKER for their cooperation while I have been on this P. S. job, and I hope my successor will do better.

E. F. "PAPPY" WELKER, P. S.

## Valentine Day Party at Bay City Was Big Affair

**L. U. 692, BAY CITY, MICH.**—Although not the official scribe for L. U. 692, said writer has taken the task upon himself until our able local president can induce someone to act officially. The incentive to write this article was the Valentine Day party that was given by L. U. 692 for its members, their wives or sweethearts and also the electrical contractors operating union shops, and invited guests. And it was a party—all for free—no tickets to buy—no collections.

The location was well selected, the Le Chateau, just on the outskirts, on a main highway. An attendance of about 300 gave us a good chance to shake hands with Brothers we had not seen for some time. Two large punch bowls (well-spiked) were on hand to cheer us up a bit before the banquet—one for the ladies and one for the gents. Whoever mixed up this concoction of choice liquors and juices need take a back seat for no

## International Officer Visits Canal Zone



*G. X. Barker (third from left), vice president of the Fifth District, with Brothers of Canal Zone locals on occasion of his visit there. Left to right: J. J. Tobin, chairman of executive board, L. U. 677; Walter Wagner, financial secretary, L. U. 677; Mr. Barker; C. F. VanGieson, president, L. U. 677; A. Saarien, L. U. 397; W. N. Nessler, member of executive board, L. U. 677; H. Darby, L. U. 677.*

**L. U. 677, GATUN, CANAL ZONE, PANAMA.**—For the second time since this local union has been in existence, we have had an opportunity to be host to an International vice president of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers. In March of this year Brother G. X. Barker, of the Fifth District, spent 10 days in the Canal Zone. Both local unions on the Isthmus put forth their best effort to explain to him their problems that are most complex. He was shown what actually happens so far as the operation of the Panama Canal is concerned, and definitely not shown some of our defense measures. Each and every member of the I. B. E. W. on the Canal Zone will eventually, we hope, profit in some manner by his having been on the Isthmus.

We wish to express our appreciation to the International Office for having exercised its authority in sending Brother Barker to the Isthmus and, in the future we hope that Brother O. A. Burrows, our Government Employees Representative, will be sent to the Canal Zone. In our opinion unless Brother Burrows is sent here, he will never be in a position to represent us in an efficient manner, due to the fact, that only by making personal contacts here can he become familiar with our set-up.

Mrs. Barker accompanied Mr. Barker on his recent visit and we found her to be most pleasant and congenial, and when it comes to sightseeing trips she can really take it. We are thankful she is on the road to recovery from her recent illness.

one. It was delicious and was enjoyed by all. The committee had their schedule well-planned as in no time we were all seated at our tables, beautifully decorated with flowers, and were served a full-course banquet dinner that would do justice to the finest French chef. The music was furnished by the well-known Earl

We who live and work on the Panama Canal have been both interested and concerned, with, shall we say an epidemic of newspaper articles that deal with the internationalization of the Panama Canal. This inexplicable bug-house fable is quite old, but was revived in 1940, in Leghorn, Italy. Apparently it was sort of shushed until 1946 when it was raised again in England. Then in 1947 we read of it being proposed from Moscow, parts of Europe, and as late as June, 1947, from our own city of Philadelphia it has been advocated.

When you read this sort of thing in the newspapers over a period of years about something which you actually live on, work on, and know the details of, you begin to wonder just what could be the foundation for such theories. For any U. S. citizen who is familiar with the operation of the Panama Canal, or is employed here, it is, I am sure, utterly impossible to agree with, or subscribe to in any manner, such a ridiculous proposal.

Inasmuch as Brother Barker has been here, and can discuss the Canal intelligently with you, if and when you see him, ask him what he thinks of such a proposal. I am sure he will tell you that, the United States shall and will control the Panama Canal, and never in any manner will subscribe to the internationalization of such an important waterway, that has been referred to for years as one of our first lines of defense.

C. T. SWEARINGEN, B. M.

Bomell and his orchestra for the banquet and the wire jerkers ball that followed. And from where I sat it looked as if everybody danced.

During one of the intermissions a number of fine prizes were given away. These prizes were donated by the contractors and L. U. 692 and included



such good values as mixmasters, radios, broilers, electric clocks, irons, etc. Our business manager, Fred Nitschky acted as giver-awayer of the prizes and injected a lot of wit and good humor into the process. Fred is as good an entertainer as he is a business manager.

Some of the out-of-towners and members of L. U. 692 who came considerable distance to attend were: Cal Church and his wife from Grayling, Jim Doran and wife from Alpena, Mrs. John Collins from Alpena, George Wedick and wife from Towas.

The committee who arranged this affair certainly deserves lots of credit for making the party such a success. Russ Turner was chairman, assisted by Harold (Pee Wee) Lang, Ken Shook, Clarence Bonham and Harry Chafin. The committee, in turn, appreciated the outstanding help given them by the business manager.

Enough about our party—everyone went home happy.

So many outsiders have worked in this jurisdiction during the past two years that you may be interested in hearing what goes on here and what some of the boys are doing or have done.

Leo La Doucer who ran the Mercy Hospital job for the past two years is taking a much-needed rest and has gone into retirement. He is doing some fishing on the side. John Patterson, who was steward for Leo, is now running the Bay City shovels job with Clarence Bonham as his steward. Jimmy Nitschky seems to be well-adapted to the president's chair and is doing a good job. Meetings operate on schedule and in an orderly manner.

From the conversation picked up from the helpers the apprentice school is clicking in good shape. When you get into diagrams, interest is whipped up. The question now, is who sets the clock back to make classes last longer.

Cal Church and T. Walters attended the opening of the George Fisher Wholesale Electric Supply Co., of Saginaw. There was plenty to eat and drink and they saw lots of the new gadgets coming on the market.

Brother Harry Chafin of the Dow job passed out double cigars at the last meeting. He is a very proud father of twins—boy and girl. Walter Pawlock is a patient in the State Tuberculosis Sanitarium at Gaylord, Mich. A letter or card to him once in a while would go a long way to cheer him up. He has two fine sons both learning the trade in L. U. 692.

The electrical contractor on the Dow Midland job will soon be throwing another nice fish fry for the local. Jerry Ryder is the new steward on the Consumers Power job. Kerm Trapp, one of the foremen on the Consumers job does not intend to get whistle-bit if we have another depression. He also operates a very neat corner grocery, has remodeled and has a nice apartment for himself and one to rent and has revamped his store with modern equipment.

Clyde Short, our financial secretary, has entered the political field. He is doing a good job in trying to get some good men down there where they make the laws.

LEONARD R. WALTERS,  
Acting P. S.

## Brother Joseph A. Schilling Claimed by Heart Disease

L. U. 697, GARY AND HAMMOND, IND.—Again L. U. 697 must say a sad farewell to one of its members. Joseph A. (Pappy) Schilling was taken by death after a long period of suffering induced by our old enemy, heart disease.

He is now free of all pain and worry and I believe is enjoying that "peace that surpasseth all understanding."

We deeply sympathize with his wife and son in their sorrow and our charter must again be draped in mourning in respect to him.

Our bowlers made the visit to the St. Louis contest and although they did not return as champions they did put up a game fight and we are all proud of them for it.

The fine hospitality shown by L. U. 1 toward our gang was greatly appreciated and we hope that some day we can have the opportunity of reciprocating.

A fine angle of this bowling tournament was the opportunity of meeting a lot of regular guys from L. U. 1 and the other locals. I believe these yearly contests are a most valuable affair for this reason alone. They make us realize that all I. B. E. W. men are pretty much alike all over the United States and Canada and a good lot of guys.

We had the pleasure of again greeting Brother Duncan "Dusty" Russell, who attended our local meeting April 12. He and the Mrs. spent a short visit here. He is now a member of L. U. 11 of Los Angeles, Calif. I can certainly say that when he joined L. U. 11, they got a "union man" and that covers a lot of territory.

Our Twenty-five Year Club No. 1 of the I. B. E. W. held a meeting and pot-luck party Wednesday evening, April 14.

Well, the old political pot is boiling again. Judging by the Wisconsin vote, Hearst has given General MacArthur the well-known Hearst "kiss of death."

Seems that the worst thing that can happen to a candidate in this country is to have the "Lord of San Simon" bestow his benediction upon him and his goose is cooked. Too bad that this had to happen to a man of MacArthur's great executive ability and honor.

Vernon Seliger, son of Brother Frank Seliger, is again slated to play center on the Illinois University team this year. He will soon become a benedict like the rest of us. Congratulations!

H. B. FELTWELL, P. S.

## Reports on Progress Meeting Held at Baton Rouge, La.

L. U. 733, PASCAGOULA, MISS.—Due to the illness of our business agent, Brother E. C. Miller, the writer has just had the opportunity of attending the Eighth District progress meeting at Baton Rouge, La. It was a great success in every way. I know of no better way to inform the local unions of just what is going on and the problems of other local unions and how they are solving these problems.

Brother Ware, our president, and I enjoyed meeting Brother Tracy, our International President, for the first time and listening to him report on the Inter-

national Office. He gave us encouragement as well as warned us against resting our laurels.

Brother Barker, our International vice president handled the chairmanship in his usual good manner.

Several other International officers were there along with representatives of the N. E. C. A.

Progress was the theme of every speaker and, of course, each representative could see from the reports whether their local union was in step with the others. We learned also some of the things that we can do to get in step and go forward instead of slipping back. In other words profit by the experience of our Brother locals.

One of the greatest advantages of this or (in my opinion) of any such meeting is the renewing of old friendships and making some new ones. In this way we find out something about just how big the I. B. E. W. is and what a small part of it we are.

The value of renewing the old contacts and making new ones for ourselves and the local unions we represented just couldn't be estimated. There is a lot of difference in writing a letter to Mr. William A. Jones asking for information and in shaking hands and saying "Hello Bill." You cannot beat that personal contact. I believe we will be able to profit by our experience both now and in years to come. We surely hope to meet Brother Tracy and the other fellows again in the future.

JOHN V. HALEY, P. S.

## Jackson Local Elects Three Delegates to Memphis

L. U. 835, JACKSON, TENN.—Here it is press time again so I guess I'd better let you know what's new with L. U. 835. On our meeting night, the 16th of April, we voted to have our election on June 18 with the polls open from 8 a. m. until 9 p. m. in order to give all the members in and out of town a chance to vote. We have elections only every two years and would like to see every member cast a vote.

We elected Business Manager Ed Nichols, President C. F. Boone and Jimmy May as delegates to the International Convention to be held in Memphis, Tenn., the 9th and 10th of August.

Business Manager Ed Nichols has been doing a good job trying to keep the men placed, as work has been a little slack for the past few weeks. That's all for this time. See you soon.

J. W. GOODWIN, P. S.

## Lake Charles Local Busy During State Fed. Meeting

L. U. 861, LAKE CHARLES, LA.—Local No. 861 was very busy preparing for the State Federation of Labor Convention held in Lake Charles, La., on April 4, 5 and 6. Delegates elected to represent Local Union 861 were Brothers Joseph Hidalgo, Ted Stitzlein, Eddie Daigle, George Rivette, George Minton and Vernon Vaughn. The members also cooperated in providing room and accommodations for the delegates who came from all over the State of Louisiana.

On March 26 and 27, Brothers Ted Stitzlein and A. A. LeBlanc represented



Local Union 861 at the Fifth District Convention of the I. B. E. W. held at Baton Rouge, La.

Congratulations to Brother Bill Fournet who has recently been appointed to the position of field representative, Bureau of Apprentices in the United States Department of Labor. We wish you success in your new job. Brother Fournet is recording secretary of Local Union 861.

A code class for members of Local Union 861 is being held at the Lake Charles Trade School. Instructor for the class is our president, Brother Joseph Hidalgo. Classes are held each Thursday night at 7 p. m.

The bad weather conditions in this area have held up work on several new plants estimated at several million dollars. Quite a few of the members aren't letting the weather worry them, they are using the slack time to get their fishing tackle ready for the June deep-sea fishing season. There are fish tales to be told, too!

For instance, in last year's Tarpoon Rodeo, Brother George Rivette was winner of first prize, Brother L. N. Adams took second prize and our "little" business manager, Brother Ted Stitzlein, took eighth prize and one of our local contractors took ninth place. H. Wolf, one of our local contractors, also won a prize. Brother G. X. Barker, International vice president of the Fifth District, can vouch for the veracity of these fish tales. He visited our local last fall, made us a fine talk and then went fishing. We are looking forward to another visit from him during next fishing season.

It may be of interest to some of our Brothers throughout the country that the King Mackerel season starts about June and ends in September. The Tarpoon Rodeo is held in July or August. About 100 to 200 boats with not less than seven fishermen in each usually participate in the rodeo.

E. B. SMITH, P. S.

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### Pioneer Ontario Member Honored at Meeting

**L. U. 869, IROQUOIS FALLS, ONTARIO, CANADA.**—I am enclosing a photograph of a very special occasion for Local No. 869, Iroquois Falls. This will be of interest to some of the past members of Local 869 who have drifted far and wide, and who will know some of the members.

It shows the first and oldest member of Local No. 869 to go on pension from Local No. 869, Brother J. G. Curry, being presented with a 25-year membership gold button by the youngest member of Local No. 869, Brother H. Jones.

The occasion took place after our regular meeting. The photo was taken by Brother H. Beaton of Twin Falls, the power plant, where Iroquois Falls gets part of the power.

R. A. LOCKE, R. S.

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### Story Cited to Show Why Strong Unions Necessary

**L. U. 1338, PATERSON, N. J.**—We would like to have the enclosed article in the next issue of the JOURNAL. I think this article should be brought to the at-

## Presenting Pin to Oldest Member of L. U. 869



*H. Jones, youngest member of L. U. 869, Iroquois Falls, Ontario, Canada, pinning gold button on J. H. Currie, oldest member of the local with 25 years continuous good standing. Charter members in background, left to right, are: L. Cosgrove, S. Martin, R. Locke, P. Redmond (president), J. Smith and G. Sullivan.*

tention of every utility worker in the country as I believe that it shows that a good strong union is necessary. This is a strong argument for labor's cause. If that group of men working for Western Union had a good strong labor organization, this incident would not have occurred. We, of L. U. 1338, are fortunate in having a good solid organization and a staff of good officers to run it. I am for labor's cause first, last and always.

### WESTERN UNION LINESMAN DIES ON TOP OF POLE

"The inseparable companionship of Charles L. Seeley, 69-year-old Western Union lineman, and his wife, Mrs. Mary Carr Seeley, ended yesterday when he died atop a pole while his wife was seated in a truck nearby.

"His sudden death in this manner was not unexpected. He was a diabetic and had often suffered attacks at work. For 20 years it had been Mrs. Seeley's custom to accompany her husband on all jobs.

"She was always prepared to give him insulin injections and for the last few years had been called upon to give him at least three daily when he suffered attacks.

"Yesterday's attack at 9:30 a. m. occurred in the Laurel Hill section of Secaucus. Workmen in the same crew knew something was wrong when they glanced up and saw Seeley slump over on his safety belt. Two of the crew carried him down.

"Other workers flagged an Erie railroad train and took him to the West Hudson Hospital, Kearny, where he was pronounced dead. His death ended 43 years' of service with Western Union."

JOSEPH L. McLAUGHLIN, P. S.

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### Chicago Signs Contract With Commonwealth Edison

**L. U. 1367, CHICAGO, ILL.**—A contract between affiliated locals and the Commonwealth Edison Company is assured

for another year. On April 23 ballots were counted and members of Local 1367 voted in favor of the contract as presented to them with 317 voting "Yes" and 189 voting "No." The count of all of the locals voting showed 2,272 in favor and 805 against the contract as presented. Under the new contract a raise of 6½ per cent of the maximum of each classification was given to all employees effective April 1, 1948. This will average around 10 cents per hour for all employees. Also pay days will be every other Friday instead of on the 15th and last day of each month, respectively. The service man's clause was dropped because it had been creating an unfair condition as regards seniority. Wonder if the dropping of this clause will create some discussion in the future as to whether the G.I.'s "Bill of Rights" is lived up to as regards reemployment with like work, pay and seniority.

The company has agreed to talk to the union's pension committee in regard to changes requested by the unions in the company's present pension plan. If the Supreme Court sustains the ruling of the National Labor Relations Board that pensions are part of wages and are to be negotiated as such under the Taft-Hartley Bill if the unions request it, there probably will be a large number of unions requesting this on expiration of their present contract. It is really strange in this democracy of ours that industrialists as a whole are against aiding in protecting workmen in their old age against poverty and need. Why is it then that top management men of various firms receive such large pensions? Is it because they haven't been able to lay anything aside on their meager salaries for their old age? Aren't these the same men that are shouting "Fight Communism"? Are they fighting Communism or are they fighting social reforms that are or have taken place in practically every nation throughout the world? The adoption of a "live and let live" policy would



do more to prevent these social reforms from taking place than the policy being carried out at present by our industrialists.

JOSEPH J. ORRICH, P. S.

## Big News in Baltimore Is Congressional Elections

**L. U. 1383, BALTIMORE, MD.**—Howdy Brothers, "Flashlight" Sears is at it once more, with a notebook of jottings, backs of envelopes, pen full of ink, radio on with soft, soothing music: I can concentrate now while I'm writing this report.

To start with, let's skip the Curtis Bay Yard this month, since the only great activities right now consist in the iron shop making buoys, a few 80 footers, and painters assigned to painting all of the buildings. Could it be that the reason why the Federal workers pay raise fell through for the yard, is that it is going to be "Moth-balled?" How about a flashlight to light up the pigeonhole where the bill is?

The big news right now is the coming election for Congressmen and Representatives, then for our own local election affair coming off in a meeting or two. So we will start our nominating right now and that is none too early. I wish and hope for the good of the local union and the I. O. that the new set of officers after they are installed will carry on as the former officers performed their duties. If they do they will make the membership feel proud of itself. Another major item confronting us is picking delegates to go to the I. B. E. W. Convention in August. We must check members who can qualify. One naturally must be in good standing and have paid-up dues, by all means, to be eligible. I will try to let you know in the next issue of the fortunate Brothers who will be elected to go.

Now for our "Flashlight Flashes," with the kind permission of Brother George E. Cogswell, press secretary of Local Union 28. Your scribe has been authorized to write a few lines about a swell job completed by a swell gang of fellow workers. The electrical contractor was the Jaehnig

Electric Co., of Newark, N. J., the construction firm, the Gahagan Construction Corp., the location, Cedarhurst, Md. Mr. Sidney Fund and Mr. Charles Peddicord, superintendents; Mr. Albert McCleaf, in charge of the power gang; Mr. Theodore G. Mattheiss, in charge of the lighting gang. Here is a picture taken on the job by ye scribe. Recognize anyone? If not, then I'll name them from left to right standing: Charles C. Moulton, job steward; Albert W. McCleaf, Claud Oden, Talmage C. Carawan, John E. Wainwright, William S. Cooney, Alvery F. Ford, Andrew W. Conaway, Francis J. Stang, Walter A. Hobbs, Raymond G. Hohman, Charles Peddicord, Theodore G. Mattheiss. Front row: G. W. Miller, George W. Tansill, Charles V. Dryer, Albert L. Hafner, Jr., Edward W. Weidman and James E. Friskey. Yours truly was too busy at the camera to get on this scene. For the benefit of the Brothers who would like to have a copy of the picture they can write to 3719 Park Heights Ave., or phone MO-4602, if I'm unable to contact you. So now my desk is cleared until the next letter. So long.

RUBEN SEARS, P. S.

## Nine Per Cent Wage Increase Won by Local 1439, St. Louis

**L. U. 1439, ST. LOUIS, MO.**—Another job completed—that is, the contract and wage negotiations. The negotiating committee again did a good job. Our wages are increased 9 per cent as of April 1, 1948. A new proposed sick leave was turned down by the local, but we retained what we had. The proposed sick leave gave a 20-year employee 120 days plus 100 half days, but no pay for the first two days. Our old sick leave for a 20-year employee is 40 days beginning with the first day.

There is a heavy program of new construction going on within our company. Of course a lot of this is given out to contractors.

The early date of the convention this year caught us off base. We'll have to have a special meeting to elect our dele-

gates. After our first convention at Frisco, our members are eager to be represented in Memphis in August.

"Labor has a date in '48" is taking root here. A special registration day has been announced for both the city and county. I hope that every member, his wife and children of voting age will go to the polls in November and exercise that right which we still have.

Suggestions for increase in dues were brought up at the last meeting.

A new pension plan was suggested to the business manager but this will be taken up at a later date.

Audrey, the girl in our office, went and got herself married. We certainly wish her happiness.

The mother of Carl Mitchell, our business manager, passed away a short time ago. Our sympathy, Carl.

KENNETH E. GERDES, P. S.

## "Unreliable" New England Weather Causes Work Slump

**L. U. 1514, HANSON, MASS.**—Now that the snowdrifts of a very hard winter are making way for green grass, and the willows and poplars are putting out little golden breathers before entrusting their precious silver-green leaves to this unreliable New England weather, we are worrying about the falling off of work and the many members who are laid off.

Our March meeting was well attended and we discussed amendments to our contract which must be ready by May 1. George Sayce is the only member of the negotiating committee who did not serve last year. He takes the place of Earl Hammond, Sr., who declined to serve.

On Monday, March 29, we voted not to accept the terms offered our committee and they will meet the management again in a few days.

We had a secret ballot taken on March 26, in compliance with the Taft-Hartley Law. The question was, whether a new employee should, after 30 days, be required to join the union. The vote was "yes," 120; "no," 5.

Some of the enamel-room girls have been helping in the assembly department.

Dot Hern has discovered that by continually nibbling on various kinds of cough drops she may avoid slipping into eternity. Well, we think she could close the window after airing out.

Annie Richard had a birthday on March 26. We all hope she will have many more happy ones.

Bill Darsch should have known better than to have his birthday on April 1.

Dick Sayce became the daddy of a baby girl on the last day of March.

Effie Townes returned to work after an illness. Avis Pierce is absent because of a strained back.

Fellow members of Local No. 1514, let's do a real brotherly action. Let's take up a collection and buy those large-hearted losers a Cadillac, in which to ride to the poorhouse.

Meantime we mustn't get discouraged. Everybody can't be on top. Some of us must hold the top guy up. And he has reached the peak and there's nowhere for him to go except down. Maybe you'll be on top next, ready for the next move.

VERDA M. LANE, P. S.

## Enjoying the Sunshine at Baltimore



Looked as though spring had come to Baltimore when this picture of Brothers of Local No. 28 was taken. Brother Sears of L. U. 1383 forwarded this picture.



## 'Score Sheet' for Labor Summarized

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good prospects at this writing, for S. 472, which would provide \$300,000,000 of Federal aid to the states for education purposes, has already passed in the Senate and stands a good chance of passing in the House. This bill would provide grants-in-aid to all 48 states, with larger sums going to the less wealthy states. One of its effects would be to tend to equalize the educational opportunities among the states, which is all to the good.

As to item 6, calling for a strong American role in foreign affairs, the U. S. has been committed to such a role for many months. It is a role that truly calls for real vision and statesmanship of a high order. Unfortunately, the spectacle presented by the heads of our armed forces—which are responsible for implementing our foreign affairs' role—has not been edifying. Many of the generals and admirals seem more concerned with preserving their own prerogatives and privileges than they do in carrying out the spirit of the unification bill. The civilian heads of the Army, Navy and Air Force also often seem to be at loggerheads on vital issues. America is committed to a policy of containing communism on dozens of fronts. America is ill-served when these inter-service squabbles become the cause of national, and international, comment.

Summing up labor's "work sheet" for Congress, then, the score board shows progress in the fight to repeal the Taft-Hartley Law, progress in the fight to extend educational facilities, and progress in the program to give America a strong role in foreign affairs. On the debit side must be placed the lost causes of curbing the high cost of living, getting an adequate housing program enacted, and maintenance of strong rent control. That gives us a batting average of .500—excellent for a baseball player but not good enough for labor's score sheet.

## Linking the Old World to the New

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*And as to Noah's ark there came  
The olive-bearing dove,  
So doth the ocean telegraph,  
This marvel of our day,  
Give hopeful promise that the time  
Of war shall ebb away. . . .*

The author's hope that a shrinking world would begin to spell one world seems a little naive to us now.

More reservedly, the London *Times* remarked that, "since the discovery of Columbus, nothing has been done in any degree comparable to the vast enlargement which has thus been given to the sphere of human activity."

New attempts to lay improved cable were delayed by the Civil War, but on July 23, 1865, the *Great Eastern*, largest ship of the day and the only one afloat capable of carrying the 20,000 tons of cable necessary to link Newfoundland to Ireland, set forth on her first cable-laying assignment. With about 1,200 miles laid, the paying-out gear on the stern suddenly failed and the cable was severed. It was a moment that truly tried the souls of the engineers aboard.

A year later, with new cable and improved apparatus for its handling, the *Great Eastern* again sailed for Trinity Bay, Newfoundland. It successfully completed its voyage in two weeks and from that day to this America and Europe have remained linked under water. In passing, it may be noted that the first effort of the *Great Eastern* was not a total loss. Grappling gear was developed which succeeded in recovering the 1,200 miles of lost cable. The laying of it was successfully completed and it became the second transatlantic cable.

With its early trials and errors over, cable-laying became a more or less routine matter. Today, about 400,000 nautical miles of cable link all continents. There have been longer, more massive cables laid since the one of 1858, but none has inspired the feelings of awe and wonder occasioned by the first slender strand which linked America and England.

## Marked Increase in Utilities Revenues

Electric operating revenues of the larger privately-owned electric utilities in the United States amounted to \$3,689,594,000 in 1947 compared to \$3,292,696,000 in 1946, according to figures released recently by the Federal Power Commission. The increase was largely offset by increased combined operating expenses, taxes and depreciation charges which totaled \$2,925,829,000 in 1947 as against \$2,529,009,000 in 1946.

Operating revenues of natural gas companies reporting to the Commission amounted to \$663,378,000 in 1947, an increase of 16.1 per cent over the \$571,145,000 received in 1946.

## Power Seen Crucial Factor in the ERP

Because industrial expansion of the countries benefiting from the European Recovery Program (ERP) can only proceed as fast as the supply of power permits, some observers see the \$300,000,000 allotted to power expansion in Europe as the crucial factor in the success of the whole program. The \$300,000,000 is included in the \$5,300,000,000 allotted to ERP for its first year of operation. Under the program, half a billion dollars' worth of generating equipment is scheduled to be shipped to the sixteen nations and western Germany in the next five years.

The question has been raised in some circles as to whether this quantity of electrical equipment can be shipped to Europe without hindering the U. S. \$6,000,000,000 power-expansion program. A writer in the *New York Times* says: "Some utility analysts have gone so far as to say that it will be ten years or more before we can hope to furnish Europe with generating equipment. They contend that their argument for domestic attention first is not purely selfish; rather, they say, we can help Europe only after we have met our own power demands."

Of all the countries whose generating equipment was damaged by war action, Italy fared the worst. Hydro sources were utilized for about 94 per cent of the power generated prior to World War II. As the occupying Germans retreated up the peninsula, they wrecked many generating stations and transmission lines. The Netherlands also suffered heavily, sustaining a power break-down of about 80 per cent due to Germany's attacks on the generating stations.



# New 'Chatterless' Clutch, Employing a Magnetic Field, Has Many Applications

A NEW MAGNETIC fluid clutch, controlled by small amounts of electric power and characterized by high efficiency, smooth operation, long life, and simplicity of construction has been invented by Jacob Rabinow of the National Bureau of Standards. The novelty of the clutch is based on the discovery by Mr. Rabinow that the frictional forces between solid surfaces and certain types of fluid media can be controlled by the application of magnetic fields.

The simplest magnetic fluid clutch is made up of 3 elements—a driving shaft with a plate at its end, a driven shaft and plate, and literally millions of fine iron particles, suspended in oil, packed between the inner surfaces of the two plates. Other than these particles in oil, there are no connections between the driving and driven elements of the system.



In an experiment at the National Bureau of Standards, Jacob Rabinow (right), inventor, and Louis Schuman, development engineer, support the weight of Patricia Hickok (117 pounds) through a two-inch square plate immersed in magnetic fluid energized by an electromagnet.

The newly discovered effect is applied to clutch operation in the following manner: When the space between two parallel magnetic plates is filled with finely divided magnetic particles such as iron dust, and a magnetic field is established between the two plates, the magnetic particles form chains which bind the two plates together as tightly as if they were held together with strong spring clamps.

## Vibration Eliminated

Operation of the clutch is characterized by extreme smoothness and absence of "chatter." In the ordinary dry-friction clutch there is usually a large difference between the magnitude of static and kinetic frictional forces. This effect gives rise to a natural tendency to "chatter" somewhat like the vibration of a violin string when a bow is drawn across it. In the magnetic fluid clutch, the locking force is practically constant, and the bond between the two plates is a function of the gradual increase of magnetic field, electrically controlled. Because the relation between the amount of magnetization and the bond between the plates is linear, and independent of speed, there is no point at which the clutch suddenly tightens up to produce a jerk. Another factor is that when the clutch is fully engaged, and the load applied is not greater than that for which it is designed, slippage is completely eliminated, affording a mechanism that is 100 per cent efficient. Smoothness and efficiency are also characteristic of similar electro-magnetic brakes.

## Application to Autos

A major advantage of the magnetic fluid clutch—in addition to simplicity of construction, smoothness and ease of control, and 100 per cent efficiency when locked—is that wear is practically non-existent. All of the working surfaces are bathed in oil and such small amounts of wear as might occur would simply add to the supply of iron particles.

Perhaps the most obvious application of the magnetic fluid clutch is for automobiles. The feature which particularly adapts the new clutch for use in cars is its easy controllability, which makes it attractive for service in automatic transmission systems where permanently engaged gear trains are clutched in and out for non-shift operation. Since the amounts of electrical power required to control the magnetic fluid clutch are small, it is a simple matter to interlock the electrical circuits with

the speed, throttle setting, power demands, etc. Its long life and simple construction also recommend it for this use.

## Other Uses

However, Rabinow and his associates at the Bureau of Standards believe that the main field in which the new clutch will find extensive application is in connection with servo mechanisms—which can be defined in general as instruments that translate electronic "information" into appropriate changes in purely mechanical equipment. Such devices are now used for power steering of large trucks, tanks, steamships and aircraft. Power brakes utilizing servo mechanisms are being extensively used in heavy duty trucks and in some expensive passenger automobiles. They are also used in printing presses, power machinery, for the control of radar antennas, gun direction control, in range finders, and in high-speed electronic computers.

Another field of application is in the automatic control of machinery where servo mechanisms are not involved, as in drilling and tapping operations and for overload devices.

The new clutch has already aroused considerable interest on the part of government and industrial officials who have inspected test models. Patent applications for the new invention have been filed and the inventor has assigned all patent rights to the U. S. Government.



A magnetic fluid consisting of fine iron powder and oil forms the heart of the magnetic fluid clutch. When acted upon by a small permanent magnet that portion of the mixture in the magnetic field "solidifies" and adheres to the magnet.



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634-	861923	389441	389444	926-	902171	1170	407785	997320	997320	136796	136796
635-	861923	389444	389447	927-	902171	1171	407785	997321	997321	136796	136796
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637-	861923	389450	389453	929-	902171	1173	407785	997323	997323	136796	136796
638-	861923	389453	389456	930-	902171	1174	407785	997324	997324	136796	136796
639-	861923	389456	389459	931-	902171	1175	407785	997325	997325	136796	136796
640-	861923	389459	389462	932-	902171	1176	407785	997326	997326	136796	136796
641-	861923	389462	389465	933-	902171	1177	407785	997327	997327	136796	136796
642-	861923	389465	389468	934-	902171	1178	407785	997328	997328	136796	136796
643-	861923	389468	389471	935-	902171	1179	407785	997329	997329	136796	136796
644-	861923	389471	389474	936-	902171	1180	407785	997330	997330	136796	136796
645-	861923	389474	389477	937-	902171	1181	407785	997331	997331	136796	136796
646-	861923	389477	389480	938-	902171	1182	407785	997332	997332	136796	136796
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654-	861923	389501	389504	946-	902171	1190	407785	997340	997340	136796	136796
655-	861923	389504	389507	947-	902171	1191	407785	997341	997341	136796	136796



# Death Claims for April, 1948

L. U.	Name	Amount
110	Rene E. Guilbert	\$1,000.00
865	William J. Welsh	1,000.00
312	Bennie B. Everhart	1,000.00
613	Benjamin H. Brown	475.00
459	Charles J. Parson	1,000.00
11	Joe C. Putty	1,000.00
134	Stanley Paskiewicz	1,000.00
134	Charles Cullen	1,000.00
697	Joseph A. Schilling	1,000.00
501	John Buschel	1,000.00
I.O. (1)	Charles C. Fischer	1,000.00
3	Wm. J. Schaumlöffel	1,000.00
I.O. (3)	James J. McWilliams	1,000.00
76	Robert T. Robertson	300.00
I.O. (218)	H. D. Spencer	1,000.00
6	Leland E. Edmondson	1,000.00
77	Otis L. Dunkle	1,000.00
134	Harry Sullivan	1,000.00
I.O. (340)	M. C. Derr	1,000.00
499	Everett B. Snyder	650.00
414	John E. Keller	1,000.00
982	Raym'd C. Whitehouse	1,000.00
751	Edward C. Buerstatte	500.00
477	John J. Sullivan	300.00
3	Benjamin Karsch	1,000.00
18	Charles E. Funk	1,000.00
180	Ralph G. Anderson	1,000.00
136	Isaac W. Tuggle	300.00
262	Joseph L. Avery	1,000.00
309	Cleodius H. Ohlendorf	1,000.00
460	William S. Knott	1,000.00
134	Charles E. Wilkinson	1,000.00
1263	George R. Black	475.00
1024	Henry N. Hobday	1,000.00
88	William D. Thatcher	1,000.00
I.O. (103)	Joseph D. Coates	1,000.00
923	John W. Goodwin	300.00
46	James E. De Pue	1,000.00
3	Joseph Schneider	1,000.00
52	Alex Henderson	1,000.00
I.O. (9)	George V. Jensen	1,000.00
I.O. (103)	Daniel T. Shea	1,000.00
3	William Havenstein	1,000.00
68	Leonard O. Moss	1,000.00
985	Angus E. Elliott	1,000.00
77	Harold H. Klaus	300.00
5	Charles Orchard	1,000.00
I.O. (514)	William Stumpf	1,000.00
I.O. (357)	Earl Humphrey	1,000.00
I.O. (11)	Walter A. Smith	1,000.00
I.O. (854)	George C. Ledwin	1,000.00
3	Charles Purdy	475.00
I.O. (134)	Henry J. Wohlgenuth	1,000.00
589	Joseph F. Gimbl	1,000.00
569	Vernor C. Wakefield	1,000.00
754	Ira S. Sheldon	1,000.00
3	Charles J. Schramm	1,000.00
77	Earl R. Busch	1,000.00
57	Truman D. Hall	300.00
949	Charlie L. McDermott	1,000.00
125	Lloyd E. Marler	1,000.00
I.O. (595)	John A. Richards	1,000.00
387	Raymond Weller	1,000.00
607	Harold C. Brennan	1,000.00
103	Alfred Needham	333.33
77	Frank Tustin	1,000.00
104	Frederick McAluff	1,000.00
100	Elmer A. Pickett	300.00
95	Hubert L. Tuggle	1,000.00
134	Henry C. Myer, Jr.	475.00
880	Raymond E. Fletcher	1,000.00
507	Herbert W. Donald	650.00
1249	Ernest C. Meils	1,000.00
58	Christopher George	1,000.00
I.O. (66)	C. H. Schuler	1,000.00
47	Charles Wheeler	1,000.00
3	John G. Bindewald	1,000.00
3	Marvin Shaw	300.00
643	Finis S. Cherry	825.00
125	Everett L. Tucker	1,000.00
I.O. (125)	E. E. Stiles	1,000.00
125	Oscar Gunderson	300.00
I.O. (550)	Nels F. Nordberg	825.00
I.O. (18)	John Bryant	1,000.00
210	Thomas H. Denberry	333.33
I.O. (408)	Walter Lewis	1,000.00
48	Raymond A. Frint	1,000.00
310	Raym'd C. Kerlaouezo	1,000.00
722	R. Leo Long	650.00
52	Herman Scheu	1,000.00
3	Albert Fabris	1,000.00
134	Thomas P. McCann	1,000.00
134	Joseph B. Kausal	1,000.00
326	Charles W. Gammon	1,000.00
7	Ralph L. Streeter	1,000.00
119	Edward Seider	1,000.00
240	August E. Miller	1,000.00
I.O. (3)	August D. Chevalier	1,000.00
369	George Carl Howd	1,000.00
684	Charles H. Johnson	1,000.00
46	Donald R. Cook	300.00
5	Harry J. Gable	1,000.00
500	Rudolph Steffens	1,000.00
920	Joseph C. Dean	1,000.00
466	Paul Peck	825.00
77	Oscar R. Hendricks	650.00
39	Joe Godec	1,000.00
744	Joseph S. Turner, Sr.	206.25
350	Truman A. Ruler	1,000.00
134	Frank Sweeney	1,000.00
I.O. (195)	Frank Davis	1,000.00

## IN MEMORIAM

Charles A. Mannel, L. U. No. 28  
Initiated August 9, 1917

Alvin Fred Tippe, L. U. No. 263  
Initiated July 25, 1939

James C. Reed, L. U. No. 269  
Initiated August 12, 1940

Frank J. Brokes, L. U. No. 304  
Initiated December 1, 1944

Melvin J. Davis, L. U. No. 309  
Initiated August 22, 1941

Cleodius H. Ohlendorf, L. U. No. 309  
Initiated March 31, 1927

O. B. Williams, L. U. No. 309  
Initiated January 29, 1926

John F. Wallace, L. U. No. 310  
Initiated June 28, 1943

Eugene Brunette, L. U. No. 353  
Initiated September 29, 1943

John Buschel, L. U. No. 501  
Initiated October 11, 1918, in L. U. No. 664

Carl O. Carlson, L. U. No. 501  
Initiated August 23, 1918

Edwin P. Murphy, L. U. No. 550  
Initiated December 22, 1941

Benjamin H. Brown, L. U. No. 613  
Initiated April 4, 1946

H. D. Ethridge, L. U. No. 613  
Initiated June 16, 1947

J. A. Schilling, L. U. No. 697  
Initiated April 28, 1941, in L. U. No. 16

Carl Elmer Jenkins, L. U. No. 702  
Initiated March 11, 1946

Will B. Williams, L. U. No. 702  
Initiated November 16, 1924

Joseph Richter, L. U. No. 713  
Initiated May 18, 1945

Edward A. Cassidy, L. U. No. 835  
Initiated March 23, 1947

Raymond Fletcher, L. U. No. 880  
Initiated September 1, 1942

Joseph E. Frost, L. U. No. 880  
Initiated September 1, 1942

Charles Lawrence McDermott, L. U. No. 949  
Initiated December 10, 1937

Charlotte Kenny, L. U. No. 1031  
Initiated November 1, 1946

Joseph Conte, L. U. No. 1238  
Initiated October 12, 1946

James Helmes, L. U. No. 1249  
Initiated May 9, 1942

Merritt L. Holland, L. U. No. 1249  
Initiated December 29, 1939

E. C. Meil, L. U. No. 1249  
Initiated October 28, 1947

Earl Hawkins, L. U. No. 1359  
Initiated December 30, 1944

Charles B. Dawson, L. U. No. 1498  
Initiated March 18, 1935

George C. Detrick, L. U. No. 1515  
Initiated February 28, 1947

L. U.	Name	Amount
8	Eugene M. Best	\$300.00
6	Edward G. Yokela	1,000.00
I.O. (134)	John P. Debeling	1,000.00
I.O. (3)	James P. Hayes	1,000.00
889	Charles J. Trull	1,000.00
28	Charles A. Mannel	1,000.00
881	William A. McKelvy	1,000.00
108	Walter S. Townsend	300.00
I.O. (702)	Roland C. Keiser	300.00
440	Floyd S. Mills	1,000.00
1393	James F. Simpson	300.00
421	Murdoch McInnis	1,000.00
164	Anthony B. Kraus	1,000.00
702	William B. Williams	1,000.00
940	William K. Kenney	1,000.00
595	Theodore W. Fandrey	1,000.00
1117	Robert C. Luebke	1,000.00
134	Thomas E. McGrath	1,000.00
I.O. (77)	Covert N. Thorpe	1,000.00
84	Sherman C. Keheley	1,000.00
I.O. (206)	L. Maher	1,000.00
I.O. (103)	Hans Holmes	888.89
I.O. (125)	W. R. Jett	1,000.00
3	Juan Y. Roman	1,000.00
I.O. (347)	F. E. Suddoth	1,000.00
588	Edward L. McNulty	1,000.00
550	Edwin P. Murphy	1,000.00
3	Victor S. Olsen	650.00
130	Harry F. Pichon	1,000.00
869	Leo J. Barry	1,000.00
634	Tony Dum	825.00
125	Harvey Leap	150.00
313	M. William Lovell	150.00
51	James H. Davidson	150.00
6	Oscar H. Fildes	150.00
I.O. (591)	M. W. White	150.00
499	Ben Daniels	150.00
18	Robert Baker	150.00
3	Gerald F. Dunn	150.00
2	Morris Rosenberg	150.00

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## Engineers Needed for Nuclear Power Projects

Increasing use of electricity may result in an addition of 40,000,000 kilowatts of installed capacity in the United States in 10 years and 200,000,000 kilowatts in 30 years, A. C. Monteith, director of education at the Westinghouse, told the Midwest Power Conference at Chicago.

This expansion would call for a greatly increased number of power engineers to handle the problem of generating and distributing the added power, he said. Speaking of the development of nuclear energy, he said: "There is a tendency to infer that physicists and chemists will be able to handle all phases of this project. But actually there will be a real necessity for power engineers who have sufficient knowledge of power generation and distribution techniques to weigh the various factors involved in the production of power by nuclear energy if this is ever to become a competitor to the present sources of energy."





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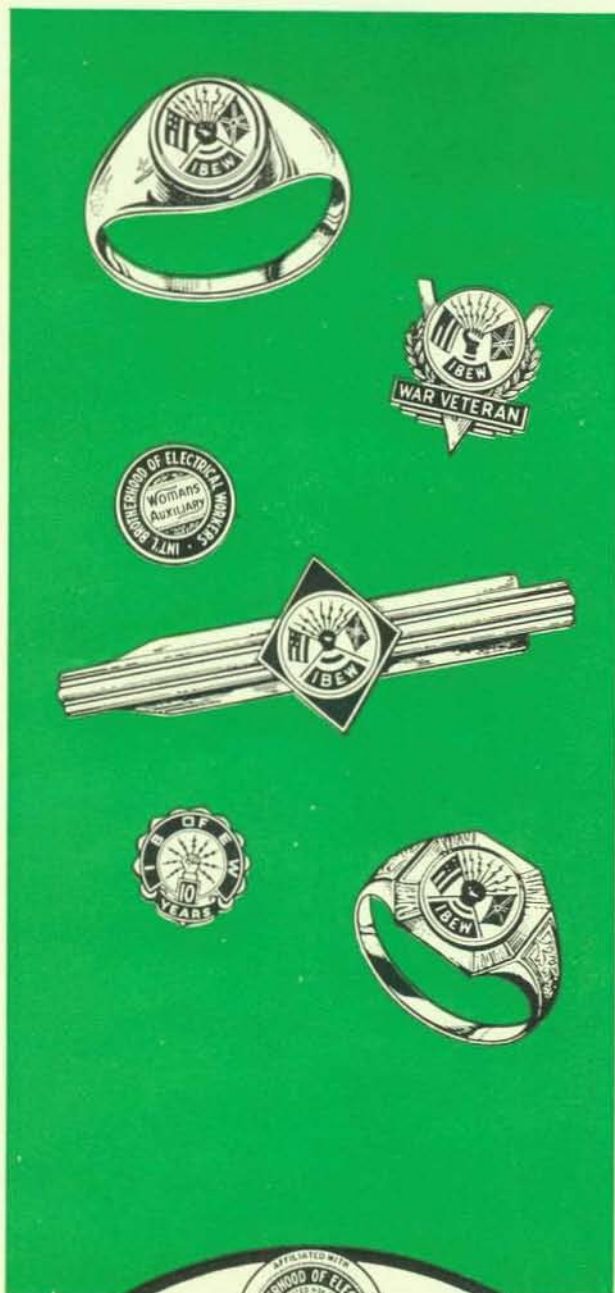
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